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## Housing crisis

### State puts homeless in hotels

\$109 per room here

By Rebecca Piro

To deal with Massachusetts' growing affordable-housing crisis, the state is paying to house two homeless families at Andover's Residence Inn on Minuteman Road.

These families are just two of the 314 homeless families being put up in 34 hotels across Massachusetts.

**"They should be spending it on building affordable housing."**

SUSAN STOTT, ON THE \$109 PER NIGHT PER FAMILY THE STATE IS SPENDING TO HOUSE HOMELESS FAMILIES IN AN ANDOVER HOTEL

The number of homeless families in the state has "exploded" due to a severe lack of affordable housing in the region, says Dick Powers, spokesperson for the Department of Transitional Assistance. DTA is responsible for housing the 1,000-plus homeless families in Massachusetts.

"We just use the hotels as a Band-Aid," Powers says. "If we

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## THE SCOOP ON TOWN LAND

Test to reveal if youth-center, possible senior-center land is clean



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Barry Woodworth, a geologist from Lingham Associates, takes a dirt sample from a hole dug at the proposed youth-center site. The ground will be tested for contamination. At right is Health Director Everett Penney.

By Rebecca Piro

The Andover Youth Foundation is putting the proposed youth center site to the test.

Proponents of the 27,000 square-foot center assembled Tuesday to drill borings into the ground behind West Fire Station. They are testing the soil to find out whether dangerous contaminants have leaked into the ground from the uncapped landfill next door.

The youth center effort is a public/private partnership, given the go-ahead by Special Town Meeting last November. By an overwhelming vote, townspeople agreed to give a chunk of town-owned land behind the fire station to the Andover Youth Foundation, a private group that has promised to raise the needed \$4.4 million to build the center. According to a contract between AYF and the town, AYF will construct the center only after it has at least \$1 million in hand and the balance of the cost in credit. After the building is completed, AYF would hand the building back to the town, which would then be responsible for maintenance and operation of the center.

Tuesday's test will determine whether the contract will continue to that point.

If the borings, which will cost AYF about \$20,000, determine the land is clean, the project will proceed. If AYF finds evidence of heavy contamination, the project

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## False alarms at AHS

### 'It leaves rest of town unprotected'



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Fire Lt. Barry Thornton responding on Tuesday to one of many recent fire alarms, pulled at Andover High.

By Rebecca Piro

Students pulling false fire alarms at Andover High School have the fire department seeing red.

In the past two weeks, fire trucks have roared up the school's driveway in response to more than seven fire alarms — only to find every one of them a false alarm.

"It's been an ongoing problem," says Officer Chuck Edgerly, who is conducting the police side of the investigation. "We haven't been able

to catch anyone."

The fire department understands that false alarms happen, but says it's no accident that the horns — especially the ones located closest to the exits — have sounded on fair-weather days during school hours.

"I don't think (the kids) think it's as serious as it is," says Fire Lt. Barry Thornton.

If the kids think it's a joke, no one in the fire department is laughing. Fire Chief Chuck

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## Web question

**Should town officials start charging other communities more for water?**

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was:

If the new schools do not open on time, which option do you prefer?

Out of 27 votes:

► 2, or 7 percent, said, "Students should be split into double sessions. Students would attend one of two four-hour sessions at the existing schools each day."

► 14, or 52 percent, said, "Students should be placed in available classrooms at existing schools."

► 11, or 41 percent, said, "Students should attend classes in whichever wing of the new schools is completed come September."

► No one voted "Other."

**This week's Web question:**

Depending on the amount it sells, Andover sells treated water to other communities at the same price Andover residents pay. Should town officials start charging other communities more?

• Yes. Other communities should have to pay for the services Andover is rendering.

• No. Especially during this time of drought, water is an important resource - not something the town should use to gouge others.

• Other.

To vote, surf to: <www.andovertownsmen.com>.

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Camera-ready advertising copy is due by Tuesday at noon.

No cancellations honored after these deadlines.



## IN BRIEF

## Town Meeting primer

To provide impartial information about warrant articles coming before voters at Town Meeting this year, the League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover will present a free, public forum tonight, Thursday, April 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library.

Among the articles to be discussed are those addressing zoning (including the historic overlay district), the Main Street and Ballardvale improvement proposals, the school budget, water usage and sprinkler restrictions, and various to-be-bonded Capital Improvement Plan requests.

## Not down in the dumps

Jack O'Donnell, the town's superintendent of parks and grounds, says other towns have visited High Plain Road to see how Andover operates its compost site. "We are a model for many towns," he said. "And we are very proud of that."

A crew of five senior citizens from Andover work at the compost site as part of a tax-voucher program. They volunteer and, in return, get a deduction from their property tax bill. That caught state officials' eyes. O'Donnell says state officials were also impressed with the compost site because there is no odor and plastic materials are not allowed to be disposed there.

## Finegold office hours

State Rep. Barry R. Finegold and staff will be holding office hours on Thursday, April 25 at the following times and locations:

In Lawrence at Al's Diner, 297 South Broadway St. from 8 to 9 a.m.; and in Andover at the Andover Senior Center, from 9 to 10 a.m., and at Starbuck's on Main Street from 7 to 8 p.m.

## Selectmen

## Come May, it's Chairman Hender

Selectman Ray Hender will preside over the selectmen's meetings come May.

Hender is the officials' new chairperson, voted in two weeks ago to replace Selectman Ted Teichert, who filled in as chair after former Selectman Mary French passed away last September.

Hender, who is one year into his first term as selectman, welcomes the position.

"This is really exciting stuff," he says. "This is government, it's democracy, it's all good."

The vote is official, but the selectmen will wait to implement the change until after Town Meeting, to maintain the same leadership throughout the rest of the month. Come May, residents probably won't see much more than "minor tweaking" of the selectmen's agenda, says Hender, adding that efficiency at meetings is one of his objectives.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

New Selectmen Chairman Ray Hender: "It's all good."

Officials also voted Selectman John Hess as vice chair and Selectman Mary Lyman as secretary.

— Rebecca Piro

## Colorful bike coming

The Andover Center Association (ACA) Spring Coloring Contest is underway. Children ages 10 and younger may visit any downtown Andover store or business that is an ACA member and pick up a picture to color.

They may return a finished colored picture to any ACA business of their choice for display. There will be a drawing for the winner at the end of April. The winner will receive a bicycle suited for him or her.

## April health clinics

The Andover Health Department will offer a mini-clinic on Monday, April 22 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. Senior-center clinics

will be held 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday, April 10, 17 and 24. No appointment is necessary.

## Corrections

Due to an editor's error, the photo caption to last week's article "Education advocates put out the call: Save Our Schools," misidentified the Support Our Students group.

In the story "St. Augustine forum votes Law should leave," which ran March 28, the statement by Tim Kilcoyne, "If we don't get more gender balance in the Church, we're going to have more of this nonsense," was quoted in the wrong context. Kilcoyne says he was calling for the encouragement of more men to lay professional ministry.

## Quote, unquote . . .

SOME WOULD LOOK AT THIS AS A LUXURY. I see it as helping town officials and others get a handle on what the town really wants to be over a long period of time."

— Bruce Earnley, chairman of the Vision 21 Committee, talking about the group's request of \$5,000 to pay for a consultant to help the group develop a blueprint for the future of Andover. (Story, page 19)

I THINK IT IS FAR OFF. I'm embarrassed it was as far off as it was. \$900,000 is a lot of money. I should have been able to come a lot closer.

— Bernie Tuttle, schools business manager, regarding estimates to open the new schools that have climbed from \$1.3 million to \$2.2 million during the past 18 months. (Story, page 13)

NOT AN OPTION. I wouldn't even consider it.

— Public Works Director Jack Petkus on cutting back the amount of plowing the town does to save money. (Story, page 13)

## News Calendar

## Saturday, April 13

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third floor, 9 a.m.

## Tuesday, April 16

Board of Assessors, Town Offices, Assessor's Conference Room, 9 a.m.

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third floor, 7:45 p.m.

## Wednesday, April 17

Finance Committee, Town Offices, first floor, 7 p.m.

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FERTILIZERS

# Mom set to run first marathon

Boston Marthon is  
 Monday, April 15

By Ben Hellman

Beth Benson is ready for the Boston Marathon. "This year was the year. I'm really excited about it," said Benson.

The 40-year-old Andover mom ran when she was in high school, but this is her first marathon. Benson trains on Wednesday nights with the Merrimack Valley Striders, a group formed to prepare runners for the marathon. "I did a long run on the weekend of (March) 22. I've done a few 20s (20-mile runs), a few 18s," she said. She lifts weights a few times a week and runs five to six miles four to five times a week. She is running for the American Liver Foundation. "It's a wonderful organization," said Benson.

Benson hopes to beat the standard time for her age group, which is 3 hours 50 minutes. "I'd like to do 3:40 or better," she said.

"I had wanted to do it a few years back," said Benson, but having children took priority. For the race Benson said, "I hope the weather is good - not too hot, not too cool." Benson is the mother of three children, ages 3, 5 and 7.

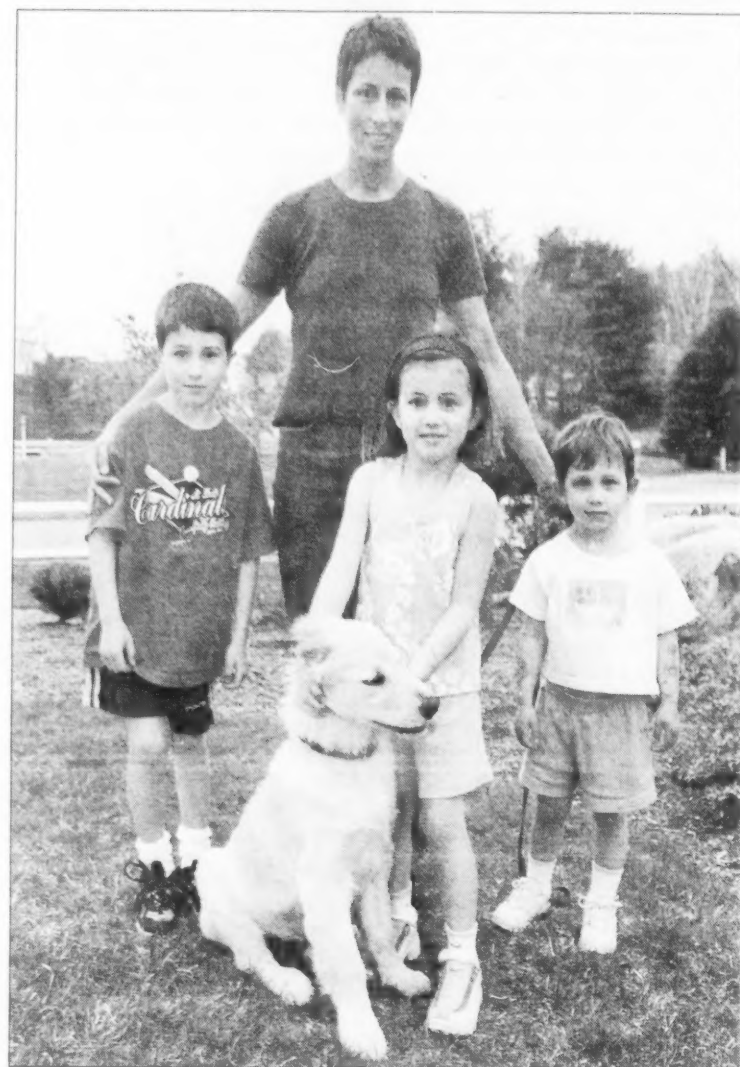


PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Beth Benson will be supported along the marathon route on Monday by her husband Joe (not pictured), and her children (left to right) Joe, Natalie and Caroline. The Bensons' puppy will stay at home.

The *Townsmen* will run the race results of Andover finishers in the April 25 edition.

## Info on senior tax credit from state

A brochure providing information on the Circuit Breaker Tax Credit for senior citizens is available at a variety of locations in and around Andover, says state Sen. Sue Tucker. The tax credit is designed to ease the local property tax burden on local senior citizens.

The brochures introduce senior citizens to this tax credit, which could save qualified seniors up to \$385 on their 2001 property taxes, and will be made available in town halls, senior

centers and senior meal sites in Andover, Dracut, Lawrence and Tewksbury, according to the senator.

This tax credit is called the Circuit Breaker because it's "triggered," like and electrical circuit breaker, when property tax payments exceed 10 percent of a senior citizen's annual income. Those who qualify will still be required to pay property taxes to their local communities. But they will receive a dollar credit for every dollar that their property tax, and certain

water and sewer bills, exceed 10 percent of their annual income - up to the \$385 maximum. Senior citizens who rent their homes can also take advantage of the same dollar for dollar credit. More information is available from the state Department of Revenue Customer Service Bureau at 617-887-MDOR, or toll-free at 800-392-6089, or at the Web site <[www.mass.gov/dor](http://www.mass.gov/dor)>. Local residents can also call Tucker's office at 617-722-1612.

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# Two years later, Powder Mill Square project fizzling

By Rebecca Piro

The Powder Mill Square project is still at square one.

Aside from design changes, developer Lou Minicucci hasn't gotten any closer to breaking ground at the Stevens Street site than he was two years ago.

Minicucci's original proposal for a 72-unit housing project combined with office space, concerned residents and Planning Board members alike. The Planning Board mulled his proposal for months before granting him three permits to build Powder Mill Square, of which 20 percent of the units were to be affordable, or sold below at market rate, Minicucci promised.

Neighbors immediately appealed the Planning Board's decision — which members had filed with 50-plus conditions — citing concerns about increased traffic and the area's tendency to flood.

As a result, Minicucci announced in March 2001 that he would file an application for a comprehensive permit, or Chapter 40B, as an alternate route. Unlike

a regular permit, comprehensive permits require only the approval of the zoning board and Conservation Commission. The plans do not need approval from the Plan-

ning Board or the building inspector, and the permit eliminates the normal bylaw restrictions, such as traffic concerns.

If the comprehensive permit

was approved, it would be only one permit, not three, that opposers could appeal, Minicucci had said. With approval, he could continue forward with the project, which would then have 114 residential units, 25 percent of them affordable.

He has yet to file that application.

"He still has to get a site permit from the Mass. Housing Finance Agency, and then he has to file for a comprehensive permit. He's done none of that," says Steve Colyer, planning director, who has worried from the beginning that Powder Mill Square is on a "problematic" site.

"He's just floundering around," he says.

That hasn't stopped the plans from changing yet again. In February, Minicucci wrote a letter to the Andover Housing Partnership Committee, a group that promotes affordable housing. Minicucci had been trying — for months — to get a letter of recommendation from it. He announced that he was eliminating the office space from the project, which the AHPC was

concerned about having in a residential complex. He upped the residential units to 166.

Minicucci's court battle is far from over, as well, even though in February, a judge from Essex Superior Court dismissed a portion of the neighbors' appeal against the Powder Mill planning permits. But still to be decided are issues involving the neighbors' claims that flooding and traffic will harm the immediate community.

"Those are pretty big issues," says Colyer. Both those issues have been major concerns of the Planning Board all along, he says.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

If the Powder Mill Square project were to be approved, buildings on North Main Street, across from Sunoco, would be taken down.

## Early deadlines

The *Townsmen* will have early deadlines next week because of the Monday holiday. Submissions from the public are due Friday

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# Results of youth-center land test due in two weeks

## ■ YOUTH CENTER LAND

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is off, unless the town agrees to pay to clean up the land. AYF should know the results of the test in the next two weeks, says mem-

ber Bob McQuade.

The results could affect more than the future of the youth center. Last week, senior-center proponents announced that the west Andover site is one of two top

choices for a new senior center. AYF has spoken multiple times with seniors about the possibility of creating a campus environment on the site — youth center on one side, senior center on the other. Test results that show contamination could mean both projects need to return to the drawing board.

A plan for a new senior center is still in the formation stages. The youth-center effort has already raised about \$1.6 million toward its cause. Last October developer Yvon Cormier donated \$1.5 million to the project, and the center will be called the Cormier Family Youth Center. A fundraising auction called Raise the Roof was held last November and brought in \$75,000.

AYF President Larry Larsen and McQuade both say they are confident the land will turn out clean. Borings were drilled at the

site about three years ago, when the town was initially considering it for a senior center. Drillers found minor contamination close

to the fire station, says McQuade. At that time the town found no problems where the youth center is currently sited. This latest round of borings will make sure the waste has not leaked further into the ground.

If the land is clean, AYF hopes to

begin construction on the youth center in May 2003. Construction will take as long as 18 months.



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At left, youth services workers watch as workers dig a hole for samples.

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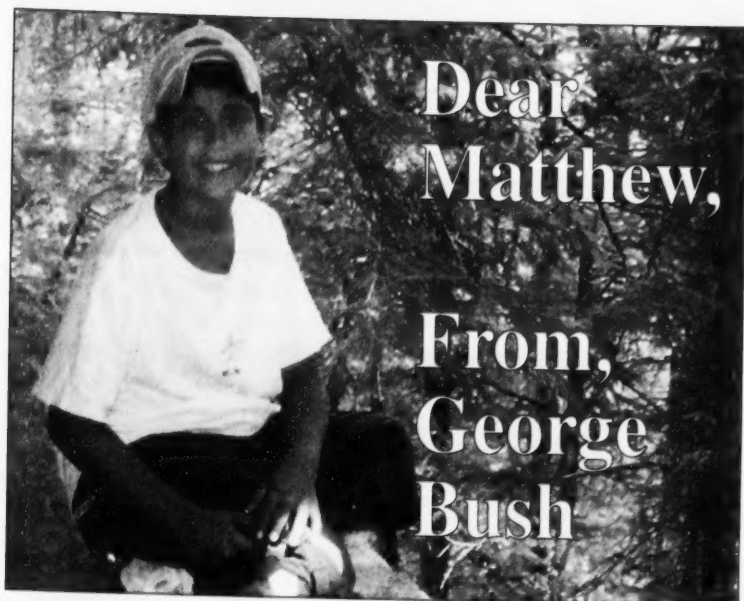


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Matthew Jannetti received a response from George W. Bush after writing him a letter following Sept. 11.

## Boy gets letter from president

By Rebecca Piro

Matthew Jannetti is only 10 years old. But his age didn't stop him from writing to the man at the top — President George W. Bush — to express his concerns regarding the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The Jannetti family, who knew a woman who died in the tragedy, talked about Sept. 11 at home quite a bit, says mom Diane Jannetti. Matthew, a West Elementary student, took it all to heart.

"I said, 'Do you think we could write a letter to the president?'" he remembers.

Matthew wrote and helped type the letter months ago, which expressed his concerns and sadness about the tragedy. He

dropped it in the mail, and wondered if he'd ever get a reply.

"Most of the time when you write letters, they don't even respond," he says.

But this time was different.

Matthew was out in the yard of his Burnham Road home this week, tossing a baseball around, when he got bored and decided to check the mail. "I found this big envelope and it said Washington, DC, first class," he says, still breathless. "I ripped open the thing."

What he read made him smile. "Thank you for writing and sharing your thoughts and feelings with me about the tragic event of Sept. 11, 2001," the letter reads. "I

was deeply touched by your concern for those who lost their lives or were injured and for their families and friends. Your message tells me you are caring and thoughtful during these difficult times. I am encouraged by your kindness and compassion of others. Mrs. Bush joins me in sending our warm wishes to you. God bless you."

Of course, the detail that makes the letter authentic is the scrawl at the end.

"He wrote his signature! He signed it in ink and he signed it by himself," Matthew says. "It's really special. I thought it would never come and I was just about to give up."

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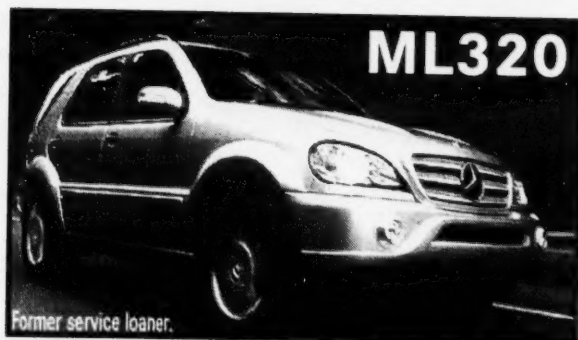
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# Opinion

## Finding solutions, community

AS ANDOVER LOOKS for more long-term solutions to its important fiscal issues, residents must continue to work together.

Limited funding for a wide variety of programs can easily pit one group against another. But various constituencies in town must not let their passion for their causes allow their discussions to turn into personal attacks and finger-pointing rather than reasoned debate about priorities and spending.

Yes, good schools make for rising property values. But for some residents, keeping their Andover home is a more pressing concern than how much that home is worth. No one should feel guilty for wanting to remain in their home. Similarly, parents cannot be blamed for wanting to provide an even better education for all types of Andover children.

Residents must also remember that the budget issues are certainly not limited to the needs of the schools. All town budgets have been growing in recent years, as the town has added the services, buildings and employees supported by Town Meeting voters.

We can all disagree on priorities for ourselves and for town and school spending. Discussion of such issues is valuable and necessary as Andover decides what it should and should not, can and cannot be. However, Andover certainly should not be a place where groups of people — such as special-education students and typical-education students — are pitted against each other, as at least some parents believe happens from time to time.

We're all part of the same community. Respect for one another must carry the days ahead — even as we disagree as reasonable people.

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### A TOUCH OF SKA



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Flying high — Dan Gillan, Dale Spollett, Martin Johnson and Steve Deering on drums give a taste of the 'Flavor.' Their band, The TouchTones, competes this weekend at The House of Blues in Cambridge. (See Arts for full story).

## Debating the Community Preservation Act

### YES: State matching funds

Editor, *Townsmen*:

April Town Meeting will give Andover voters the opportunity to consider Community Preservation Act warrant articles, which, if passed, will go to a general vote in November. The CPA is a funding mechanism for cities and towns, initiated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which allows a surcharge on the local property tax and which, in turn, is matched by the state, up to 100 percent. The dollars raised and matched are used to support local initiatives in the areas of land and open-space use, affordable housing, and historic preservation. Funding at 3 percent of the average Andover tax bill, the annual increase would be \$117 (if the override doesn't pass). At 3 percent, the return to Andover is estimated at a \$1.6 million state match for each of the first two years the town participates. At this point, in Andover, neither historic preservation nor conservation receives state funding.

The Andover Housing Partnership Committee considers the Community Preservation Act an opportunity to contribute significantly to all three of these initiatives in Andover, and, of course, the AHPC has a particular interest in what CPA

At this point, neither historic preservation nor conservation receives state funding.

JOAN DUFF

### NO: Increases quickly compound

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The Community Preservation Act will be voted on as Article 21 at Town Meeting. The proponents say that this will only increase our taxes by \$119 per year or \$9 a month (if the override passes). While this may be true for the first tax year, voters should be aware that the amount will compound by 3 percent each year for the entire five-year mandatory period if the article is passed at Town Meeting. This means that in year one, we will pay 3 percent on top of our total tax bill, and in year two, we will pay another 3 percent increase. By the end of five years, our tax burden for this one warrant article would equal a 15-percent tax increase.

What is devastating is this does not describe the full impact of our tax increases, because we must also include the items which get added to our base each and every year. In fact, we pay our last year's tax plus the 2.5 percent increase allow by Proposition 2½, plus the town's new growth figure which is added each year, plus any overrides or debt exclusions we might approve.

It seems it's never as simple as they say.

Voters should be aware that the amount will compound by 3 percent each year for five years.

CHRIS HOLMES

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## LETTERS

## Andover's character

Editor, *Townsmen*:

At the Board of Selectmen's meeting on Monday, March 25, a citizen and frequent observer and contributor at town board meetings asked a selectman to explain what he considered to be "Andover's character." The reply was polite and to the point, and the citizen proceeded to present personal reasons for disapproval of several articles, including the override article (Article 5). Selectman John Hess, Selectman Mary Lyman and I voted to recommend approval of Article 5.

I would not presume to answer the question above for any of the other selectmen, or for any other citizen of Andover. But I will answer it from my point of view.

Andover's character is: Town Meeting and open public board meetings where any citizen is welcome to provide input and to question decisions, actions, and policies; it is elected officials and volunteers who give up (collectively) tens of thousands of hours per year to serve on nearly 50 town boards and committees; it is town and school-system administrators and employees, teachers and public-safety personnel who serve nearly 32,000 citizens to keep a first-class community running smoothly, to look out for its welfare, to educate its children, and to respond to its emergencies; it is a major crossroads near "the hub of the universe"; it is home to a world-renown preparatory school; it is an important place of business for several major worldwide companies; it is the past or present home to leaders in state and federal government and to military heroes; it is citizens supporting an exemplary school system and programs for elders and youth; it is volunteers and contributors to community organizations and charities; it is numerous and diverse places of worship, Memorial Hall Library, the Andover Historical Society,

AVIS, conservation land and Harold Parker State Forest; it is a growing number of individuals and households for whom rising taxes are a considerable burden.

Andover is a community facing an important decision. Our prosperity through growth requires us to maintain more infrastructure, to keep up with the level of services demanded by the citizens, and to educate every child – not just to the minimum standard required by law, but to the highest standard possible.

In less than a month the citizens of Andover will gather at Town Meeting to pass or reject more than 60 articles. An orderly, polite, and respectful meeting, where opinions are expressed intelligently, will be another element of Andover's character.

Raymond E. Hender  
Selectman  
6 Millstone Circle

## Let's make a deal

Editor, *Townsmen*:

For anyone opposed to the override because they do not want to pay more money or do not have children in the school system, I offer the following proposal.

The value of your home is essentially based on the quality and ranking of the town's school system. If the Andover school system drops out of the "top 20" bracket in the state, your home value will go down. The average home in Andover is valued at roughly \$350,000. This same home in a town with a lower ranked school system would be worth roughly \$275,000, based on area averages.

Anyone who would like me to pay their \$81 tax increase caused by the override every year from now until they sell their home, and will pay me back \$75,000 at that time, get in touch. The value of an \$81 per year investment at 5-percent interest in 25 years is \$3,866. I'll take the \$75,000 any day.

Phil Lamoreaux  
8 Henderson Ave.

## After-school idea not music to ears

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am appalled and dismayed that Andover, desperate to solve its budget shortfall, will trash its instrumental music program and put itself in league with second-rate school systems by making instrumental music lessons an after-school "extracurricular activity." I am also concerned that music lessons will be given only on a fee basis. Clearly, those who advocate this approach do not understand the nature of instrumental music lessons and their role in the curriculum. Nor have they thought out the logistics of this tactic and its long-term implications for music in Andover.

First, there is nothing about musical-instrument study that makes it "extracurricular" or an "activity." Like academic subjects, musical-instrument study challenges the intellect. Lessons are offered during the school day because, for generations, educators have recognized that musical-instrument study is part of a balanced curriculum that develops well-rounded children. The fact that parents choose not to have their child participate does not mean music lessons are "extracurricular." Musical-instrument study also requires intense focus and builds strong self-discipline from daily individual practice. Mere "activities," while they are enjoyable, do not provide these far-reaching benefits.

Logistically, the plan for after-school lessons is faulty. Given that hundreds of children now take music lessons during the school day, how will all these lessons fit into the few hours after school? What certified instrumental music teacher will teach under these circumstances? Will students go home after school and then return at lesson time, or will they wait at school (and who will supervise them there)? How will the town offer after-school orchestras, as it currently does, if time is devoted fully to lessons? Some have sug-

gested that ensemble playing will start in middle school. This solution is woefully inadequate. As a violinist and a music teacher, I can assure people that learning an instrument and learning ensemble playing are cognitively and musically linked. Separating them is rather akin to teaching a child to read, and then, later, to write.

Some have argued that removing music lessons from the school day benefits classroom teachers, who will not have to cope with children leaving class for lessons. Admittedly, pulling children from class for lessons is a compromise; the best solution would be to have periods devoted for artistic pursuits, but time pressures preclude this. Is it too cynical to wonder if sidelining music lessons to an after-school activity at this juncture is one more way to make schools more test-oriented, as is the current trend nationwide? Offering fee-based lessons after school raises profound equity questions. Charging a fee for lessons will put them out of reach for some children. Making lessons after-school will leave out many others who do not have a parent or sitter available to drive them to the lesson. We all lament the increased gap between the "haves" and the "have nots" in society. Offering after-school lessons on a fee basis is a fine example of yet one more small way we are institutionalizing this gap.

Last, was it by coincidence that the March 14 *Townsmen*, which ran a story on the planned changes for the instrumental program, also included non-related photos that portrayed a whole range of musicians, from Irish fiddlers to a concerto contest winner to the Reading Symphony Orchestra? Those musicians did not come out of a vacuum. They were nurtured in a supportive musical environment. Andover should do no less for its own children.

Sally Lincoln Vogel  
47 Carmel Road

## Teacher: Schools aren't a business

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I don't savor the political rhetoric aimed at our schools. I am angered that the groundless claims of fiscal irresponsibility directed at the Andover school system are actually galvanizing voter support against the proposed override. Nor can I endure the ridiculous assertions that schools should be run like a business. Yeah, like maybe more scrutiny and accountability in the preparation of the schools' balance sheets will make for a more reasonable "bottom line." In which line item do we put the students? Overhead? Payments to Debt?

Schools are human events. Schools are not assembly lines of information. Schools are not mass producers of educated children and high-school graduates. Schools are settings where dedicated professionals empower our children with knowledge, skills, opportunities, and the vision to realize their own personal, social and career potentials.

To operationalize such a prodigious mission, the Andover school system employs dedicated, competent, trained, experienced professionals who judiciously balance the needs of the community with the existing resources, all within the context of federal, state, and local mandates.

If anyone is alarmed at the rising costs of special education and think an internal audit of our schools will reveal misappropriated or misspent monies, they are shouting foul at the wrong team. The determination of eligibility for special-education services is strictly mandated by our federal government which dumps the burden for paying for these services on the local communities.

As an Andover teacher, I have sat in numerous meetings where parents have requested SPED services for their children. I have wit-

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## THE THURSDAY FILE

There's no scarcity of opportunity to make a living at what you love. There is only a scarcity of resolve to make it happen.

Wayne Dyer

Worry is like a rocking chair. It uses up all your energy, but where does it get you?

BOB GASS

Everybody knows good counsel except him that has need of it.

GERMAN PROVERB

Nothing is so exhausting as indecision, and nothing is so futile.

BERTRAND RUSSELL

Living in a vacuum sucks.

ADRIENNE E. GUSOFF

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right place but to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

DOROTHY NEVILL

Hindsight is always 20-20.

BILLY WILDER

The only obligation to which in advance we may hold a novel, without incurring the accusation of being arbitrary, is that it be interesting.

HENRY JAMES

A wise man gets more use from his enemies than a fool from his friends.

BALTASAR GRACIAN

## The JFK Quotation:

Man holds in his mortal hands the power to abolish all forms of human poverty and all forms of human life.

## Best Quotation sent in:

Just remember, when you see someone at the top of a mountain... they didn't fall there.

PAUL H. DUNN

## About "The Thursday File"

Steve MacDowall started "The Thursday File" two years ago. He sent it to 10 people.

Today, the file is sent to more than 10,000 people.

The Web site is <www.hudsonvanloo.ca> and suggests books to read and Web sites worth visiting, along with quotations worth noting.

Above are some quotations from the most recent Thursday File, mailed electronically last week.



## LETTERS

## TEACHER'S LETTER

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nessed the expert assessment of these cases incorporating batteries of psychological tests, reports from medical specialists, and the observations of classroom teachers and guidance counselors. I have seen students denied SPED services and other severely needy students outplaced into costly intervention and alternative programs.

The override issue should not be reduced to a mockery of our schools' fiscal responsibility, nor should it divide our citizenry into irreconcilable factions positioned on opposite sides of this important issue. Voting against the override will not contain the costs of special education. Voting against the override will only mandate that this school system, which is currently ranked 151st in spending per student in Massachusetts, find the means to make do with less. This would ultimately turn into a vote for fiscal irresponsibility.

Bill Kolbe  
Andover High teacher

## Fields deal not magical solution

Editor, *Townsmen*:

This is in response to Jim Arnold's letter last week regarding the rezoning proposal by Yvon Cormier of/and in the Tewksbury-Interstate 495 area from residential to industrial.

Every morning I do yoga at my bedroom picture window, which overlooks my beautiful wooded backyard with mountain laurel sprawling throughout. I am a breast-cancer survivor, and it's important to have something to relieve stress. One of these mornings, while it was softly snowing, five deer traipsed through my yard. Yesterday, a mallard and his mate played in my pool area. It absolutely breaks my heart that my backyard may soon overlook a parking lot with halogen lights and beer bottles from the previous night's parking-lot party.

This industrial building and parking lot would be a secluded area with no monitoring from the public eye, no professional supervision. It would be a teenager's dream meeting place. I am also concerned that, since this development would abut my property at 300 feet out, my neighborhood could become an easy target for curious intruders.

At the planning board meeting, I was so appalled at the comments from people who lived in other areas of town, who kept saying this property abuts Tewksbury, abuts the Holiday Inn. The reality is it abuts my backyard. We built out home in this area because of the wooded backyard. We were told the area behind our homes was

## Defending letter: Neophyte criticism better than same old story

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I find it hard to believe that my self-appointed "Letter critic" (*Letters, Townsmen*, March 28) could possibly be as cold, insensitive or uninformed as he sounded. Surrounded by letters that spoke of "job shrinkage," "economic scarcity," "spend, spend, spend," "badly needed revenue," Michael Frishman speaks of the times in which we live as "these allegedly hard times." Does he really believe that people in town have not suffered over the past year? If so, perhaps he could follow his first rule and talk to some of the folks in town that used to work at Lucent, Raytheon, Compaq, HP or dozens of other companies that are still fighting to stay alive in this economic downturn. He could also talk to residents who had their incomes frozen or reduced or watched large portions of their retirement funds disappear over the last year.

If he's still not convinced, then he can come to my house and we'll call my employer. If anyone answers the phone, I'll ask them to freeze my income at levels from three years ago, which is just prior to when our corporate revenues began to free fall. One problem, the company ceased to exist about a year ago. If the economy has not affected you, Mr. Frishman, that's wonderful, but a little bit of understanding might be in order for those people who haven't been so fortunate.

I'm glad to hear you enjoyed reading the advice of this "neophyte critic." What really frosts my cake is continuing to hear the same old dribble from the non-neophytes. For example, Tina Girdwood stated in her letter on

March 28: "The average homeowner (home valued at \$352,852) will pay approximately \$81 for the \$1.1 million" override. That statement bothers me for two reasons. First, approximately 61 houses are currently for sale in Andover and only about 10 percent of those are on the market for \$350,000 or less. That suggests that right now there is a major difference between market rates and assessed rates in town. The town assessor's department reevaluates all properties every three years. So potentially, folks with houses assessed at or below the \$350,000 level may get hit with a double whammy, increased taxes and increased assessment. Second, Girdwood fails to mention that due to the \$4.3 million increase already built into the preliminary school budget, this average homeowner will already be seeing his or her taxes increase by approximately \$317 (just for the school budget portion of the overall town budget). If the override passes, that homeowner's tax will increase an additional \$81, bringing the total of the increase to just under \$400. Don't forget to add an additional 3-percent surcharge if the Community Preservation Act passes (example, if tax bill is \$5,000, CPA could cost an extra \$150).

Regarding my other ideas: A few years ago, I spent 18 months as chairman for a 130-member corporate-sponsored volunteer organization that focused on corporate and community diversity issues. As chairman, I received many suggestions from employees and the community. Some of the suggestions we implemented, some we didn't; but we never, ever expended

energy ridiculing people who cared. If the PTO sees no merit in my "crossing guard" idea, so be it, it was only an idea.

I am also aware that there is a 100-year-old law in existence regarding the charging of tuition at public schools, however I am also aware that laws can be changed. I am hopeful that our state and federal elected officials will finally notice what is happening at the local level. It would be nice to see them take responsibility for some of the mandated but not funded school legislation. No one wants to see little kids left behind in the educational process, but bankrupting towns is not an effective way of achieving that goal.

Regarding your second rule, "try not to tell other people how to do their jobs," that's nice and I would sometimes agree. However, Superintendent Claudia Bach is a public official and telling officials how to do their job is a national pastime, right up there with baseball. I'm an American and proud to exercise my freedom of speech. I think Bach deserves an "A+" for the quality of education here in Andover. However she deserves a "D-" for her lack of sensitivity regarding the current state of the economy and a "D" for her work on the preliminary budget. Finally, here's a fortune I found in a cookie one time, "if you don't want someone to step on your neck, don't bury your head in the sand." I personally don't want to get stepped on at tax time, so please pardon me for doing my part in investigating the school budget.

Curt Cronin  
8 Sawyers Lane

wetlands. It's curious how it went from wetlands to residential, and now potentially industrial. I pay my considerable tax bill to the town of Andover, not Tewksbury. I am hoping that my town, which has prided itself on strict conservation standards, will help me protect my property and property value.

I also have to question the ethics of Cormier's approach. How much control can one individual have over a town the size of Andover? How much money does one person need at the expense of hundreds of others? Proponents of this proposal point out the tax revenue this industrial park would bring. A residential area, for which it is zoned, would bring in additional taxes as well. Dangling the carrot of new playing fields if Cormier gets what he wants just doesn't appear to be an ethical proposal.

No one in this town loves baseball and soccer more than I do. I never missed a baseball or soccer game for both of my sons in 15 years they were involved. However, maintaining fields is hugely expensive. The geography of these fields would be unprotected, unpatrolled, and would have the lovely unimpeded view of Interstate 495 as a backdrop. Arnold submits that "we would get 15 acres of playing space... to give our kids a place to play." Yes, this tugs at the heart strings, but it doesn't address how this bare land would become beau-

tiful ball fields. Cormier would give the sports associations empty fields. This is not an "If you build it he will come..." moment. If something seems too good to be true, we all know it usually is.

I hope you will vote against this proposal and keep the integrity of our portion of the community intact.

Barbara Maguire  
7 Berkeley Lane

## Level playing field on zoning a must

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I have serious concerns regarding the appropriateness of Warrant Article 45, which provides a developer with a valuable zoning change. I understand that the developer, Yvon Cormier, has entered into an agreement with the Andover Soccer Association whereby Cormier will "donate" land for soccer fields as a quid pro quo for the association's active assistance in the article's passage at Town Meeting. As a former soccer mom and League of Women Voter's Recreation Task Force member, I appreciate the need for additional playing fields in town and the importance that these fields be safe for play. On the other hand, as a former member of the town's Zoning Board of Appeals, I also strongly support the zoning principles set forth in the zoning by law, principles which allow

applicants, including Cormier, to obtain zoning relief if they satisfy the criteria set forth in the by-laws.

I believe that the arrangement between Cormier and the ASA sets a dangerous precedent, enabling developers with financial resources to obtain preferential zoning treatment through what appears to be a benevolent "bribe." While arguably the town may benefit from additions to its tax base resulting from industrial land and from additional playing fields, nevertheless, such a bargain comes at a great cost. Not only does it undercut the security that all Andover residents have in protecting the residential nature of their neighborhoods from industrial encroachment, but it also says that all town residents are not equal when it comes to application of town regulations.

My qualms about this proposal are further strengthened by a recent land court decision, *Durand, et al. v. Paturzo, et al.* As reported in the March 11 edition of *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*, a land court judge found an arrangement similar to the one between Cormier and the ASA to be illegal. The *Durand* case involved a developer's promise to the town of Bellingham, at the suggestion of the town administrator, to contribute \$8 million towards the construction of a proposed new high school. In exchange, the town supported a zoning change to the

developer's land from suburban/agricultural to industrial, a change that would allow the developer to construct a new power plant. In furtherance of this agreement, town representatives actively supported approval of this zoning revision article at Town Meeting, including development of a get-out-the vote plan. The land court held that this scheme represented a bilateral exchange of promises involving an "extraneous consideration." As such, it was offensive to public policy and would not be allowed.

While the *Durand* case may be distinguishable on its facts (involving an agreement between a developer and municipality verses an agreement between a developer and a private association), nevertheless, it raises the specter that the town may find itself a party to protracted, expensive litigation over the legality of this zoning warrant article. Andover may then end up using tax dollars to defend this article. Instead of addressing such a scenario, I encourage town officials to explore other options to obtain the proposed land for soccer fields. At the same time, Cormier, as is his right, may pursue his desired use change from the appropriate town boards and have his development plan judged on its merits.

Lois Karfunkel  
22 Orchard Crossing



## LETTERS

## Schools drive property values

Editor, *Townsmen*:

This letter is addressed to all those who say nay to a Proposition 2½ override for our schools. I argue for a view that is long-term, looks beyond our town, and acknowledges the fact that school quality and property value go hand-in-hand. The vast majority of people moving into Andover or moving to a more upscale house here are doing so for one reason: schools. Of course, good schools cost money, especially while we are still trying to improve to match the Boston area's great schools. But the flip side of this is that the good quality of our schools is reflected in the current market value of houses, all houses, in Andover.

My views were obviously formed by my experience, which, briefly is as follows. When we moved into the greater Boston area five years ago from out of state, we had five real-estate agents working to show us houses. Areas we looked in were the western suburbs (Lexington, Weston, Lincoln-Sudbury, Concord-Carlisle, Wellesley), Hopkinton, Marblehead, Harvard, Newton and Brookline, Andover and North Andover. The area we finally settled on was Andover because this is where we found the best balance between school quality and real-estate value. The point is that the Andover housing market is in competition with all housing markets in the greater Boston area. To be considered in the same league as the area's top school districts, we need to continue to make improvements because our schools (as measured by standard gross indicators like SAT scores and which colleges admit our kids) are in the bottom of the top.

In order to advance the position of Andover relative to other school districts in the greater Boston area, we do need to spend money on schools. Not runaway spending, but measured spending as is presented in the current override budget. To halt or reverse school spending creates a backslide relative to the more competitive school districts with which both our schools and housing market are in competition. In this era of tightening money we should be tightening money across the whole town in order to put it into our schools because that is the area which will provide the greatest return on real-estate investment in Andover. Incontrovertible is the fact that whether you have children in the school system or not, the value of your property is the higher for it.

Becky Sload Davidovits  
16 Carter Lane

## All-day kindergarten much more than day care

Editor, *Townsmen*:

We would like to respond to Catherine Bruton's letter (Letters, March 28) calling Andover's all-day kindergarten "subsidized day care." As parents of a child in the pilot all-day kindergarten we found her letter to be both unfortunate and uninformed. We would like to offer some first-hand experiences and information. We strongly disagree with her assertion that it is a "program with few educational benefits." Additionally, we do not consider this subsidized day care but rather a great educational opportunity.

Bruton is correct in asserting that the curriculum used in the all-day is identical to that used in the half-day kindergarten program. However, identical curricula do not necessarily lead to identical results when they are administered in different programs. The mathematics program used in Andover kindergartens was designed for all-day kindergarten, thus only those children enrolled in the all-day program reap the full benefits. Our daughter is being exposed to and displaying a grasp of simple addition, subtraction and multiplication, the latter a concept that is usually taught in subsequent

grades. She is also learning about patterns and graphing observations. This is not the product of "day care." Yes, lessons are repeated, but repetition is essential for learning. The longer day also allows the teachers to spend time with those children who are falling behind, or ahead of the curve, so all children receive the attention they need.

Like many proud parents, we display our children's school work on the walls of our home. On many occasions, parents of children in the half-day kindergarten have commented on the quality and quantity of the work emanating from our daughter's kindergarten class. Sometimes the comments are "Oh, M&M math, our child did that," but more often it is something like "Wow, we don't see nearly this much work. There just isn't time for that kind of work."

By the way, inaccuracies, both factual and inferential, appeared in Bruton's letter. The pilot all-day kindergarten program was not subsidized to any great extent by the taxpayers of Andover, but by a grant from the state of Massachusetts. One of the stipulations of this grant was that 25 percent of



Writer: Only all-day K students reap the full benefits of some programs.

the children accepted into the program have special needs, children who would definitely benefit from a program of this kind.

We think the superintendent, the teachers and other professionals involved with this program should be commended. 120 of the 383 children enrolled in kindergarten applied to be in the all-day program. Andover has a wonderful child-care program, SHED,

which helps meet the needs of working parents. Yes, many of these people find the 165-minute half-day kindergarten program difficult to juggle, not to mention the a.m. and p.m. switch at the change of the semester. The reason we chose to send our child to the all-day kindergarten was to provide her with an educational experience that will benefit her in years to come. We weren't looking for day care, and thought the longer day would be beneficial since some of the days at her preschool were six hours long. Our conversations with other parents in this program reveal similar motivations. We understand that classroom education alone does not constitute a well-rounded childhood, but our daughter is delighted with all-day kindergarten and has plenty of time to explore the world around her inside and outside our house. Our daughter put it best when asked "How was your day?" after she got off the bus. She beamed and replied "It was splendid, Mom. We got to have a snack with Mrs. O'Brien."

Rosemary Halloran  
Alan Harris  
197 Haggetts Pond Road

## Group: Data show we should support our students

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As co-chairs of the Support Our Students-It's for Andover committee, our goal is to share information about Andover's school budget and Town Meeting Article 5 (the \$1.13 supplemental budget, or override) to help voters make an informed decision.

We face the unique challenge of opening two new schools later this year, to relieve chronic overcrowding in our elementary and middle schools. In addition, escalation of the state-mandated special-education costs is anticipated to continue. Other increases are necessary to maintain the core elements of the current educational program. The school administration worked diligently to reduce the supplemental budget request from more than \$2.5 million to \$1.13 million. Parents will be compensating for some of the cuts through activity fees. Nevertheless, existing staff positions and programs had to be eliminated to reach this minimal budget request.

If Article 5 (the override) is not approved, class sizes will increase in both the elementary and middle schools, textbooks will not be purchased for middle-school and high-school math programs, minimum high-school credit requirements will be jeopardized, and library, physical-education and guidance services at the middle schools will be cut back severely.

The negative impact on our students will be felt immediately.

Our committee compared Andover to a broad cross section of local suburban communities in terms of school spending, student performance and school support. We discovered that Andover ranks 18th out of 39 nearby communities in per pupil spending; statewide we rank 151st out of 351 communities and below the state average. Andover students perform well in both MCAS and SAT, but in the mid-second tier of nearby communities. Although many factors affect student performance, the data indicate a strong correlation between SAT scores and per pupil expenditures. It is worth noting that Andover students outperform our spending. Finally, we used median family income and per capita tax base as economic indicators versus per pupil expenditures to assess how Andover compares in school support. In both cases, Andover spends less than predicted compared to neighboring and benchmark communities.

We believe these data clearly indicate that:

1. Andover spends less on our students than high performing towns in our area, and below the state average.
2. Andover students score well in SAT and MCAS, but below the top tier of nearby communities.
3. Economic comparisons sug-

gest Andover has the ability to give our students the level of education they deserve and residents expect.

We think that all of these comparisons consistently demonstrate that the Andover school system achieves above-average student performance with below-average expenditures. Increased spending is both needed and justified to give our students the opportunity to reach their full potential.

It is unfortunate that this request comes during a downturn in the economy. Schools are not a business. The products of schools are educated students. Businesses often cut back production during a slow economy, but we can't reduce the number of students we educate. If we fail to give our students an adequate education in a given year, we never have the chance to do it over.

It is vitally important that we maintain the progress we have made in recent years in improving the Andover school system by passing this override. Without the override, Andover students will lose vital resources that they need and deserve. We urge everyone to come to Town Meeting on Monday, April 22 in the High School Field House and support our students by voting yes on Article 5.

Barbara L'Italien  
5 Harper Circle  
Thyra Sherman  
25 Wethersfield Drive

## Main Street work

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The Main Street Committee (MSC) members have received many questions about the Mass. Highway Project. We offer the following facts to address and clarify for the residents:

The state is funding the highway improvements (road, sidewalk, and traffic lights) at \$2.5 million.

The road project has been approved and all upgraded features must be added before beginning the bidding process.

The goal of Town Meeting Article 48 is a request for funds to help mitigate the urban effect of the road project, and to make additional pedestrian safety improvements.

The state's role is to enhance traffic efficiency on Route 28 and to provide new sidewalks. (The state is not concerned with Andover's character or business community.)

The MSC seeks to lessen the impact of the state's road project to ensure an aesthetically cohesive downtown that provides an engaging place to do business and gather. The MSC meetings are open to the public and the committee comments.

Abigail O'Hara  
MSC member

(The letter was submitted on behalf of the entire committee.)

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## LETTERS

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funding can do to assist the town in increasing its affordable housing stock. With this financial resource, Andover can increase our affordable housing stock through new construction, conversion of existing buildings, or purchase of individual units, just to mention a few. With very little thought, each of us can identify modest dwelling units in our own neighborhoods that have either been torn down or substantially renovated, more than doubling in both size and value when sold in today's real estate market. CPA resources might enable the town to purchase these units at market rate and retain their relative affordability, if resold with a deed restriction. It will allow us to increase our affordable housing stock, without creating high-density projects. And, more interesting, is the possibility that we can initiate projects that include affordable housing, historic preservation and open space, all on the same piece of land.

A survey conducted several years ago suggests that townspeople strongly support the provision of a range of affordable housing (low- and middle-income). The selectmen have charged the

Andover Housing Partnership Committee to develop mechanisms to create affordable housing. Town employees and children who grew up in Andover can no longer afford to live in town. Additionally, the town has reacted negatively to dense housing development, like that permitted with the Chapter 40B comprehensive permits. With the CPA, we have an opportunity for more choices than dense projects, as well as to provide for those who work or grew up here.

The Andover Housing Partnership Committee believes the more we invest early on, the greater the opportunity to initiate planning of projects and to benefit from the match from the Commonwealth. To that extent, the committee voted to support funding the Community Preservation Act at 3 percent, thereby maximizing the benefit, anticipating receipt of a 100-percent match from the Commonwealth in the first one or two years following town approval.

We respectfully ask the community to think long term and to support the Community Preservation Act at 3 percent.

Joan H. Duff, Chairwoman  
Andover Housing  
Partnership Committee  
12 Greybirch Road

## ■ NO ON CPA

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Also, next year is a town wide reevaluation on the value of property. Do you expect the assessed value of your home to go up or down? The Community Preservation Act states that matching funds for towns may be as miniscule as 5 percent or as grand as 100 percent. In a time of state-budget deficits, when many politicians are advocating tax increases, we can probably make a good guess that is the lower end of the scale where our town's matching funds from the state will fall.

With the extraordinary tax increases we have had during the last few years, many of our friends and neighbors are feeling severe financial strain, especially those on fixed incomes. Many are facing an average sewer betterment fee of \$15,000 plus a sewer connection fee of several more thousand dollars. Should we be asking the townspeople to add another 15 percent (at least) to our tax bill for this one warrant article? While I can see the intended good purpose with the Community Preservation Act, I cannot vote for this increase at this time.

Christine Holmes  
14 Whispering Pines Lane

## Support override, all kinds of minds

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As the parent of five school-aged children, one of whom happens to have special needs, I am very committed to the quality education the town of Andover provides for all our children. As a resident for more than 15 years I have also been fortunate to observe our schools develop in many wonderful ways.

Out-of-control class sizes and the need to develop more in-town programs for kids with special needs were the central issues of the day during the early to mid '90s. We've come a long way together.

The community worked hard to address these concerns. Every year we've witnessed improvement. Now, with two new schools, we can realize our dreams of more space and enjoy seeing our children thrive in smaller classes.

The special education department has continued to develop programs to keep more kids in town. However due to a change in state law our out-of-district costs for children with special needs have escalated out of our control.

There doesn't seem to be any

other alternative at this point to solve this current fiscal crisis other than passing an override. We were all there to vote to build two new schools. Now we need to open and staff them. We need to cover these unforeseen special-education costs.

With our next budget we can begin to investigate other solutions to better support our schools other than depending on overrides. Larry Larsen made some suggestions in last week's *Townsmen* regarding school/town spending ratios that may prove promising. Until we can consider these possibilities, there is only one thing we can do: please vote "yes" on Article 5.

Lastly, Dr. Mel Levine, a noted author regarding learning differences in children, happened to speak to more than 300 parents last Thursday night at the Pike School. He reminded us that it takes "all kinds of minds" to build a diverse, creative and caring community like ours.

Linda Biles  
LaMancha Way

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## TOWN EXPENSES &amp; THE BUDGET

## Public works

## Snow removal, water treatment above average, costly

By Neil Fater

Drive down a street. Get a glass of water. Throw away some junk mail. When most residents do these things, they're using a service provided by the Department of Public Works – and paid for with their money.

But the cost of such activities is either growing or it will be increasing soon. As is the case with Andover's other departments, Public Works has seen its budget increase significantly during the past 10 years.

The DPW budget request has climbed from \$6.7 million 10 years ago (fiscal year 1993) to \$8.5 million in fiscal year 1998 to more than \$10 million for next year, FY 2003. The Public Works Department is responsible for overseeing the town's sewers, roads, drinking water and trash disposal. (All sewer and water costs are paid by sewer and water users through

## Promises, promises: Truckload of savings?

When DPW Director Jack Petkus wanted \$120,000 to buy two 10-wheel dump trucks, he said the purchase would save the town about \$100,000. So is the town hauling in savings?

Petkus claims the answer is yes, though he hasn't compiled an exact number for the amount saved. He says having the larger 10-wheelers means the town uses fewer trucks and less gas to do its jobs – for instance, spreading sand and salt around town.

"Every ton of sand, we're saving \$2 per ton," says Petkus. "That's \$20,000 (in savings) alone in sand. That's not counting everything else we're hauling."

"Whereas a six-wheeler would make three trips, a 10-wheeler would make one. There's savings everywhere," he says.

fees, rather than by all residents through the property tax.)

With budget constraints in mind, the *Townsmen* took a look at two of areas of the Public Works budget that residents question: the amount spent on plowing and sanding roads during the winter, and the amount Andover charges for its water.

## Plowing

Andover is known for having cleaner winter roads – and for spending much more on storm clean-up – than surrounding communities.

Andover budgeted \$1.1 million for such costs this year, more than many other communities. "We may 'honestly budget' what our snow and ice costs are going to be. I'm amazed at how little other towns budget," says Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski. "It's a gamble, and this year they may have won."

However, Andover not only budgets more, it spends more. Andover has about \$300,000 of that \$1.1 million left because there was so little snow this winter. By comparison, Methuen reportedly spent less than \$300,000, according to a published report.

Andover has no set policy for handling storms, because every storm is different, says DPW Director Jack Petkus. But the town clearly has a higher standard than other Merrimack Valley communities.

"Absolutely. All you have to do is go for a ride during a storm, as I do. Almost as a rule, we're always in better shape," says Petkus.

"We don't scrimp on plowing. We compare ourselves to other towns because that's what the people do," he says. "We have a lot of workers who are proud of the job they do."

Petkus says that when a storm is forecast, workers are called



Haggetts Pond is home to the town's water treatment plant – and to some fish. Steven D'Addario casts a line on Tuesday.

## Foreseeable future expenses

## EXPANDING THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT –

A warrant article at this year's Town Meeting asks for nearly \$1 million to plan a multi-million-dollar expansion of the town's water-treatment plant.

The expansion will be paid for by water users, through their water bills.



**SEWER COSTS** – Hundreds of Andover residents will be able to hook into town sewers during the next few years, thanks to the largest sewer-expansion project in the town's history. But thousands of dollars in betterments and hook-up fees come with the sewers.

**ROAD REPAIRS** – "We've been getting a substantial amount from the state for road repairs under Chapter 90. If, in the future, that money is eliminated, we're still going to have to repair roads," says Joanne Marden, Finance Committee Chairwoman. "It's certainly an issue for the future, where we're dependent on that state money."



## MORE TO THROW AWAY TRASH –

Despite grants from the state to offset costs, Andover's trash costs have been rising

and most officials expect them to continue climbing.

## New schools: Opening costs grew well beyond expectations

By Ben Hellman

How did the estimate on what it would cost to open the new schools more than double, from \$900,000 at first blush, to \$1.3 million 18 months ago, to \$2.2 million today?

Schools Business Manager Bernie Tuttle is taking the heat, saying that part of the problem is that he used an inaccurate formula when trying to determine how the

students would be distributed in the new schools.

Tuttle assumed that classrooms of students and their teachers would simply move into the new buildings. But the reality of redistricting wasn't so simple.

"The kids weren't redistricted in nice little bundles of 25. We try to staff to the midpoint of the School Committee's policy (on classroom size)," says Tuttle.

When moving teachers affected class sizes, new faculty had to be hired. After redistricting, the new middle school needed four more classroom teachers than he expected and 16 new special-education staff.

Those positions do not augment or improve the special-education



Bernie Tuttle

services, but maintain the current level of services, he says. "SPED student concentration wasn't really discussed with me," says Tuttle. He explained hypothetically that if five students were receiving a service at one school and one of the students moved to the new school, the

SPED faculty member couldn't be taken from the four students to work at a different school.

Physical education, art and music teachers also had to be hired because they couldn't be pulled from the existing schools without affecting class sizes. Asked how he felt about the discrepancy between his estimate and the actual cost Tuttle says, "I think

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## OBITUARIES

## Maia Medler

*Attended Andover schools, had many friends in area*

Maia Medler, 31, of Methuen, who spent her elementary and middle-school years in Andover, died Thursday, April 4, at home, apparently from the combined effects of alcohol and drugs.

Ms. Medler was born May 20, 1970 in Seattle, Wash., and was adopted in infancy by her parents, Charles Medler and the late Judy Cederwall Medler.

Ms. Medler spent her early childhood in Fullerton, Calif., and one year in West Africa while the family was there on a teaching assignment.

Her family moved in 1978 to Andover, where she attended Sanborn Elementary and West Middle schools.

Later, she settled in the Lawrence area, where she had many friends, her family said.

She worked as the lunch-time cook at the Park Street Pub in

Andover for several years, until leaving in 2001. She also worked at several pubs and restaurants in the Lawrence area.

In addition to her father, members of her family include her stepmother, former *Andover Townsman* editor Perry Colmore, also formerly of Andover; her brother, Benjamin Medler and his wife, Michelle; and her devoted companion, Peter Smith of Methuen.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, April 9 at Trinity Church, Boston.

Memorial contributions may be made to Family Service Inc., 430 N. Canal St., Lawrence, MA 01840.

## Ruth M. Donahue

*Artist and homemaker was active in local charities*

Ruth M. (Collins) Donahue, a resident of Shipman Road, died at home.

Mrs. Donahue was born in Malden. She lived in the Andovers for more than 65 years.

Mrs. Donahue was a founding member and past president of the Ladies of Merrimack College. She was very active in local charitable

organizations.

She was an award-winning artist, a talented homemaker, and family members said she was known for her sparkle and sense of humor.

She was the widow of Edward J. Donahue Sr., the former owner of Andover Country Club. In 1976, the couple was bestowed with the honor of the Affiliate of the Order of St. Augustine, according to family members.

Members of her family include her three daughters, Susan Donahue of Andover, Ruth Ann Donahue and her husband, Joseph Gillian, of North Andover and Mary Louise Edmunds and her husband, Robert Edmunds of West Hartford, Conn.; a son, Edward Donahue Jr. and his wife, Dorothy, of Salem, N.H.; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, April 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

A Mass will be celebrated today, Thursday, April 11 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Church, Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St.,



Ruth M. Donahue

## DEATHS

Eleanor L. Bovernick, 88  
Ruth M. Donahue  
Nancy J. Dunn, 68  
Zelma M. Highbaugh, 91  
Stephen F. Jackson, 50  
Marie T. Levesque, 58  
Maia Medler, 31  
John U. Monroe, 89  
Joseph Piazza, 79  
James F. Sullivan, 76

Lawrence, MA 01843 or to Gillette Center for Women's Cancer at Dana Farber Institute, attn: Candace Lowe, 44 Binney St., Boston, Mass.

## John U. Monroe

*Retired educator, civil-rights activist was Andover native*

John U. Monroe, 89, of California, died Friday, March 29.

Mr. Monroe was born in Andover and was a scholarship student at Phillips Academy, where he worked his way through school delivering groceries. He also attended Harvard University on a scholarship, serving as a college correspondent for *The Boston Transcript*.

He was a committed educator and civil-rights activist who gave up his 10-year dean's job at Harvard College in 1967 to teach English at predominantly black

## DEATHS ELSEWHERE

**BOVERNICK** — Eleanor L. (Fiman) Bovernick, 88, of Rockville, Md., died Sunday, April 7 at the Hebrew Home in Rockville. Mrs. Bovernick worked at the Internal Revenue Service in Andover, for several years.

**DUNN** — Nancy J. (Skeffington) Dunn, 68, of North Andover, died Monday, April 8 at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen. Mrs. Dunn worked at Property Management of Andover. Before that, she owned and operated several restaurants in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. She also worked at Digital in Andover for more than 10 years.

**LEVESQUE** — Marie T. Levesque, 58, of Lawrence, died Sunday, April 7, at home. Members of her family include her brother, Bernard E.J. Levesque of Andover.

**PIAZZA** — Joseph Piazza, 79, of Methuen, died Monday, April 8 at Holy Family Hospital. Mr. Piazza was a group manager at Raytheon Co. for about 30 years until he retired in 1985.

Miles College in Alabama.

Friends at Harvard, colleagues and family members described him as a committed educator and civil-rights activist in *The Boston Globe*. They said teaching was his passion and even while dean at Harvard College, he taught English composition classes at Harvard Extension School.

He left Miles after 10 years and joined the faculty of Tougaloo College, another small black college in Mississippi. He retired in 1996.

For the past few years, he suffered from Alzheimer's disease.

Members of his family include two daughters, Ann Monroe of Winchester and Janet Dreyer of Claremont, Calif.

A memorial service is being planned.

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many friends.



## OBITUARIES

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**Zelma M. Highbaugh***Lived with her daughter's family here*

Zelma M. Highbaugh, 91, died Wednesday, April 3 at the Andover home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mona S. and Robert A. Williams III, with whom she lived.

She attended Third Baptist Church in Lawrence.

She was the widow of Wheeler E. Highbaugh of Indianapolis, Ind.

Besides her daughter and son-in-law, members of her family include daughters and their husbands, Alice H. and James A. Cornelison of Ellicott City, Md., and Brittanja J. and Clyde Whitehead of North Vernon, Ind.; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Building 9, Lawrence, MA 01843.

Services will be held in Indianapolis.

**James F. Sullivan***NECC professor of electrical engineering*

James F. Sullivan, 76, of Sandown, N.H. and formerly of Andover, died Monday, April 8 at

Parkland Medical Center in Derry, N.H.

Mr. Sullivan was a professor of electrical engineering at Northern Essex Community College and Merrimack College.

Born in Holyoke, he graduated from Catholic University.

He was a member of St. Augustine Church in Andover.

He was a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus and was a former district deputy and state officer.

During World War II, Mr. Sullivan served in the Army Air Corps. He was a member of Amvets.

Members of his family include his wife, Joan F. (Reardon) Sullivan; daughters, Ellen M. Boda of Chester, N.H., Kathleen and her husband Russell Marotta of Londonderry, N.H. and Mary T. and her husband, Robert Gosson of Lawrence; sons, James F. Sullivan IV and his wife Helen of Andover, and Cornelius "Neil" of Kingston, N.H.; a brother, Thomas J. Sullivan of Southington, Conn.; a sister, Agnes Brooksbank of Dalton; seven grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was also father of the late Noreen Sullivan.

Memorial contributions may be made to James F. Sullivan Scholarship Fund, care of Sovereign Bank, Shawsheen Plaza, 209 N. Main St., Andover, MA 01810.

Calling hours are scheduled for Wednesday, April 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. and today, Thursday, April 11 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at

Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, April 12 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery.

**Stephen F. Jackson***Was a systems analyst for Colorworks*

Stephen F. Jackson, 50, of Hampton, N.H., died Friday, April 5 at Exeter Hospital.

Born in Haverhill, he graduated from Andover High School in 1970.

Mr. Jackson served in the Navy as a seaman apprentice.

He attended Control Data in Burlington for computer training. He later studied at Sun Computer Systems, holding several certifications.

Mr. Jackson was a systems analyst for Colorworks in Chelmsford.

Members of his family include his parents, William S. and Jacqueline (Lynch) Jackson of Seabrook, N.H.; sons, Christopher P. and Stephen F. Jackson Jr., both

of Salem, N.H.; one niece; and former wife, Cathy L. Jackson of Salem, N.H.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701-4688.

There were no calling hours.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held today, Thursday, April 11 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church, 289 Lafayette Road, Hampton, N.H.

Private burial will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Andover.

Arrangements are by Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, Hampton, N.H.

## FOR SENIORS

**By Pat Becker***Andover Senior Center*

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

**Women's Relax and Renew Day:** Come and treat yourself to our ladies spa day Saturday, April 20 from noon to 3 p.m. Enjoy a nice lunch as well as a massage, aromatherapy, yoga and relaxation session, or maybe treat yourself to a facial while you're here. This will be your day to take care of yourself. Invite a friend and stop by the center to make a reservation.

**The Splendor Of Stained Glass:** On Monday, April 29 at 1:30 p.m., the center will host Museum of Fine Arts lecturer Miriam Butts, who will trace the development of stained glass as an art form. This exceptional slide lecture will go back to ancient Egypt, show remarkably preserved mosaics from Italy, and monumental stained glass panels from medieval cathedrals of France, Germany and England. The second part of this program will be a trip to

tour glass masterpieces at Boston churches on Thursday, May 16. Cost of the entire program - lecture, tour and transportation - is \$35. Reservations are being accepted at the front desk.

**Golf Lessons:** The center will offer a series of four lessons for beginners at the Garrison Golf Center in Haverhill. Classes will get underway Wednesday, April 24 at 9 a.m. and run for four consecutive Wednesdays. Cost of the course is \$60, which includes all equipment and instruction. Spaces are limited, call the center to register.

**Sleep Forum:** Are you sleepless in Andover? Dr. Jeanne Duffy, an associate neuroscientist at Brigham and Women's Hospital and an instructor at Harvard Medical School, will address this important issue Friday, April 12 at 9:30 a.m. at the senior center. Dr. Duffy has authored more than 40 articles on the subject of sleep, and plans to present a lot of valuable information on normal sleep, changes that come with

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# Meehan: Next step, US must help rebuild Afghanistan

US Congressman delivers letters from Andover students, meets Andover soldiers in diplomatic visit

By Rebecca Piro

During his seven-day trip to Afghanistan, Congressman Marty Meehan delivered with his own hands letters to US troops written by Andover students.

He saw with his own eyes the devastation years of war have brought to the country.

Now, he's back to speak from his own experience about the United States' responsibility to help the Afghans rebuild.

"The US needs to stabilize the government and help rebuild Afghanistan to make sure it doesn't once again become a safe haven for terrorism," says Meehan, the state's 5th District US Representative. "If there was a stable democracy (before), the Taliban wouldn't have come into power. The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks may not have happened."

Meehan's trip, with seven other US Congressmen, was intended to help him assess the progress of what President Bush has called the war against terrorism — America's retaliation against those who planned and carried out the hijack-



US Congressman Martin Meehan and some soldiers read letters written by schoolchildren, including those at Doherty Middle School. Pictured from left to right are Specialist Christopher Barry, Brockton; Sgt. Major Raymond Dalinsky, Springfield; Corporal David Ayoub, Webster (standing); Meehan; Mst. Sgt. Thomas Spain, Plymouth, and Captain Christopher Soucie, West Dennis (foreground).

ing of US planes that crashed into New York's World Trade Center towers.

Since October, US troops have

fought against the Taliban leaders — the former dictators governing Afghanistan — and the Al-Qaida terrorist network, led by Osama



Meehan and Interim Government Chairman Hamid Karzai.

bin Laden. Though bin Laden is yet to be found, that portion of the war is all but won, says Meehan.

"The Taliban has been defeated; Al-Qaida is on the run. There's a risk of Al-Qaida regrouping in the spring and summer, but our military is developing a strategy to deal with that," he says.

The longer battle will be helping Afghanistan establish a new

government and rebuild its country, where Meehan says one in four children die from disease by the age of 5; most of the country is illiterate; and people live without running water or electricity. Meehan supports Bush's call for economic aid to Afghanistan, which includes \$1.5 billion the US has already committed. He won't guess how long the US commitment will last, but he says it is crucial.

"We have to help them. We have to work with our allies in other countries. I don't think the US has to take the lead on this, but we need to participate," he says.

The Afghan people are grateful already to American soldiers for freeing them from the clutches of the Taliban, adds Meehan, who was surprised to find so much US support from the Afghan citizens.

"As we walked down the roads... people were giving us the thumbs up," he says. "I had an impression that there would be more anti-American sentiment, and it's the opposite. They feel we and Great Britain have liberated them from the Taliban and Al-Qaida."

Meehan swallowed hard when he saw the shattered homes and blasted roads. Still, the response he received from the people was positive. "I even met people whose homes were bombed by mistake — everything doesn't go perfect in a bombing campaign — but people generally know we're not there to occupy Afghanistan, but to get rid of the Taliban and bring Al-Qaida to justice."

One of Afghanistan's greatest challenges will arrive in the coming weeks, when 15 Afghan interim leaders will meet in Kabul to attempt to form a permanent government.

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## 'Finish the job'

■ MEEHAN

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ernment. Meehan had the chance to meet the interim government's chairman, Hamid Karzai – and was reminded yet again of the country's instability.

"I asked him a question about what he's doing for his own security," says Meehan. "Within a matter of hours, (soldiers) had arrested a group of people for plotting to kill him."

Two days after Meehan's party left the country, a serious bombing blasted an area close to where they had been staying.

"They have their work cut out

for them," he says.

To help, US soldiers will remain in Afghanistan to help train an Afghan army and police force. They'll help destroy the poppy fields that provide about 70 percent of the world's heroin supply and terrorist money.

As a subcommittee member of the House Armed Services Committee, Meehan says he will remember what he has seen when discussing the US defense budget, to help the troops get the job done. "We need to make sure it reflects what the troops need," he says. "We need to make sure we finish the job."



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Martin Meehan meets Scott "Rock" Donahue, an Andover native. Donahue graduated from Andover High in 1979 and went to the Virginia Military Institute. The Army lieutenant Colonel commands the 41st Engineering Battalion of the 10th Mountain Division. He's responsible for all Army engineering projects in Afghanistan, both in support of combat operations and in the reconstructing of Afghanistan's infrastructure.

## Charge towns more for water?

■ DPW

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not it sold water to other towns. The only additional expenses created by selling to other towns are the costs related to the electricity and chemicals needed to ship and treat the additional water, he says.

"You're not selling water at your marginal rate then. You need the plant and you need all the people to treat the first gallon," says Petkus.

But, during the warmer months, Andover is using and selling more water each day than its plant is designed to treat. Since Andover officials say the town needs to build a larger plant to meet demand, should the town establish a new policy for future sales agreements?

Stapczynski says officials "haven't wrestled" with whether a future deal with North Andover should be different than current agreements that allow residents of other towns to pay the same as Andover. "I'm not sure the state allows that," he says.

Petkus says other towns should

be charged more. "I think there should be a premium on the water above what the residents pay here. There should be a premium on the

first gallon, and on the last gallon and every one in between," he says.



Andover officials are talking about needing to expand the town's water treatment plant.

## TOWN OF ANDOVER LEAF COMPOSTING NOTICE

The Town of Andover leaf compost site at Bald Hill on High Plain Road will be open for **Andover residents ONLY**. Wednesday, May 1, 2002 through Sunday, May 5, 2002 and again Wednesday, May 8, 2002 through Sunday, May 12, 2002. Residents may drive in to drop off leaves & grass clippings between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. **Residents must remove their leaves & grass clippings from whatever container they use to deliver them in.** All contaminated loads will be rejected. The area is available for walk-ins at all times however, there are substantial fines for **ILLEGAL** dumping.

Directions to Bald Hill: Take Lowell St. (Route 133) to Greenwood Road (the traffic light just east of the IRS). Take Greenwood Road (0.8 miles) north to High Plain Road, then take High Plain Road (1.0 miles) west to Bald Hill.

The Town of Andover will be conducting curbside leaf collection during the weeks of April 16-April 20, 2002 and May 6-May 10, 2002. Residents are to put their leaves out on their designated trash collection day. Any appropriate size containers may be used for leaves, but if using plastic bags they **MUST BE CLEAR PLASTIC.**

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## POLICE LOG

## ARRESTS

Wednesday, April 3 – At 2:27 p.m., police took a 41-year-old intoxicated man into protective custody.

Thursday, April 4 – At 6:21 p.m., Francisco Espallat, 33, of 39 Glen Road, Apt. 1, Jamaica Plain, was arrested and charged with possessing a Class B substance.

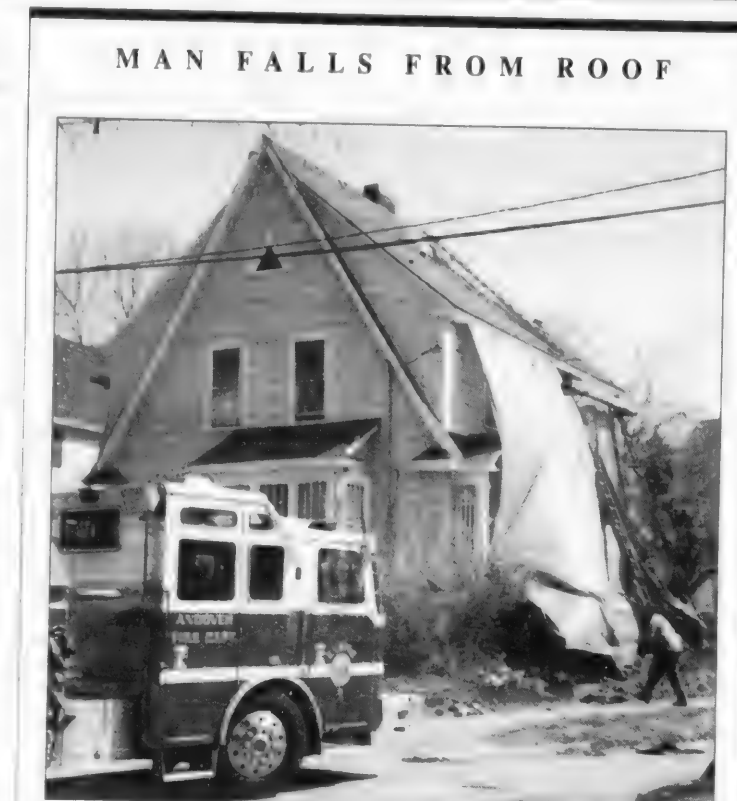
Friday, April 5 – At 1:18 p.m., Joshua Murphy, 27, of 103 Messenger St., Plainville, was arrested and charged on a warrant for failing to pay a fine for an assault and battery incident.

At 10:22 p.m., Jacinto Dossantos, 30, of 800 Bulfinch Drive, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license. The person was also charged on a warrant for leaving the scene after driving without a license and charged on a second warrant for two counts of larceny by check.

Saturday, April 6 – At 1:58 p.m., Jacinto Dossantos, 30, of 800 Bulfinch Drive was arrested again and charged with driving with a suspended license.

Sunday, April 7 – At 3:32 a.m., Brendon Clark, 21, of 22 Ninth St., Apt. 706, Medford, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct.

At 6:07 p.m., Nathan Adams, 17, of 12 Berkeley Lane, was arrested and charged with being a minor transporting alcohol, speeding and violating a junior operating license. Also arrested was



**MAN FALLS FROM ROOF**

David Nichols, 24, of Methuen slid off the roof of this Chestnut Street home Tuesday morning just as he and co-workers were preparing to start work. He was taken to a hospital for treatment. Norman Gay, owner of the North Andover company All Under One Roof, spoke with OSHA officials at the accident site yesterday. "This is a nightmare. This has never happened before," he said.

Jonathan Haerer, 17, of 2 Nollet Drive, who was charged with being a minor transporting alcohol.

Tuesday, April 9 – At 4:03 p.m., Michael Hewitt, 54, of 25

Clark St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged driving after suspension.

## INCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 3 – At 7:41

a.m., an officer took a bike, left on Odyssey Way, back to the station for safekeeping.

At 10:33 a.m., an employee from Minuteman Road reported that she had received a suspicious e-mail regarding a former co-worker.

At 12:21 p.m., a Timothy Drive resident reported that there was a "wild cat" in her neighborhood. The cat had "broken through screen doors and attacked other cats," according to the log. The animal-control officer was to investigate.

At 12:33 p.m., an officer assisted a Lowell Street resident in opening the door to her home, as she had locked herself out.

At 1:40 p.m., the animal-control officer gave verbal warnings to the owner of two dogs without leashes.

At 7:38 p.m., a female reported that the Andover Housing Authority had placed a "bug" in her smoke detector as a means of listening to her conversations, according to the log. An officer did a "full inspection" and found nothing suspicious.

Thursday, April 4 – At 1:09 p.m., the animal-control officer responded to Andover High School to tend to an injured seagull, which he transported to the animal hospital.

Friday, April 5 – At 5:57 p.m., a Pauline Drive resident reported that his daughter was being harassed by other kids.

At 6:49 p.m., officers assisted

the Lawrence police in chasing two men from Lawrence just over the Andover line onto Shattuck Road. They men crashed their vehicle and then fled on foot, followed by the state canine dog. One man was apprehended by Lawrence police at the scene. The second man was arrested a couple hours later by Lawrence police.

Saturday, April 6 – At 2:45 p.m., a Juliette Street male asked police to dispose of two starter pistols and a BB gun he had in his basement.

At 5:47 p.m., a Pauline Drive resident reported that a male had touched her son while he was riding his bike near Iron Gate Drive.

At 7:37 p.m., a Kirkland Drive resident reported that a bird had flown into her house. An officer was able to free the bird "back into the wild population," according to the log.

At 10:35 p.m., a Whittier Street resident reported a female missing.

Sunday, April 7 – At 8:24 p.m., police assisted the fire department in extinguishing a small fire at a Poor Street residence.

Monday, April 8 – At 11:12 a.m., an officer issued a court summons to a female for possessing a Class D substance.

At 8:16 p.m., a female reported a domestic problem with her son.

At 10 a.m., a female reported that some threats were called into Verizon.

At 10:24 a.m., police and EMTs responded to Chestnut Street where a worker fell off a roof. He was taken to a hospital for treatment.

At 4:10 p.m., an Abbot Street resident called to report that a cat was stuck in a tree. The animal-control officer told the resident that "Andover police and fire will not be going up in a tree for the cat," according to the log.

At 5:02 p.m., police received a report of gunshots on Route 125. An officer checked the area but found nothing suspicious.

## BREAKS

Monday, April 8 – At 5:50 a.m., employees from Essex Orthopedics on Haverhill Street reported that someone had broken into the office.

## THEFTS

Thursday, April 4 – At 8:34 a.m., an Osgood Street resident reported that someone had stolen jewelry from her home.

Saturday, April 6 – At 12:08 a.m., a caller reported that three teenage males jumped out of an Andover cab on Holt Road without paying their fare. An officer was unable to locate the teenagers.

At 12:02 p.m., an Orchard  
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# How much does it take to plan for future?

Vision 21 Committee seeks planning consultant, but \$30,000 Town Meeting request will be pared

By Rebecca Piro

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski wants Andover to invest \$30,000 in its future.

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He estimates it will cost that much to hire a consultant to help Andover set its priorities for the next 20 years.

"We've been asked to put together a vision of what the town wants itself to be 20 years out," says Bruce Earnley, chairman of the Vision 21 Committee — the group charged with planning Andover's path. It's a job the 17 members agree they can't do alone. "We'll need expert help at some point," says Earnley.

Because Town Meeting is facing a possible override of Proposition 2½ this month, the Vision 21 Committee has decided to ask voters to approve only \$5,000 of Stapczynski's \$30,000 estimate. They'll ask for the remaining chunk of money at a future Town Meeting.

"Some would look at this as a luxury," says Earnley, a software engineer. "I see it as helping town officials and others get a handle on what the town really wants to be over a long period of time."

The idea of developing a vision

is somewhat similar to the way Andover's forefathers took time to plan out the community's zoning, setting aside large parcels of industrial space and wrapping the town around what was to become major interstate highways, says Stapczynski. Residents and officials today credit much of Andover's economic success to that kind of planning.

This vision, which is encouraged by the state Department of Housing and Community Development, will take not only zoning issues into consideration, but the character of Andover, Stapczynski says. "It could include infrastructure, water and sewer, roads, education, acquisition of open space," he says.

The best way to research that character is to ask "everyone," meaning residents, officials and people from other communities, says Earnley. "But that's impossible. We need a consultant to pare that down to something more plausible," he says.

Without the money, it will take the committee longer to conduct its research and compile the results, says Stapczynski.

So what can the committee buy with \$5,000?

"They'll get some consulting time," Stapczynski says. "It will take them six to nine months

(alone) to decide on how they are envisioning the (vision) process."

At this stage the committee's charges are so vague that Earnley is hesitant even to suggest potential issues it will study.

The committee will also ask members of other communities to talk about their visioning process, for free. Stapczynski says Belmont and Lexington are just two of several communities that are planning

for the future.

The Vision 21 Committee is not Andover's first group charged with planning for the future. The Andover Housing Partnership is planning new ways to increase the town's affordable housing. The Community Preservation Act Committee, a group that will be created if Town Meeting adopts the Community Preservation Act, would plan ways to spend the

money the CPA would raise for affordable housing, historic preservation and open-space acquisition. The Ballardvale/Lowell-Junction Task Force has already created a "master plan" of its own for historic Ballardvale. The mission for the Vision 21 Committee is wider than all those committees put together, says Stapczynski. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30.

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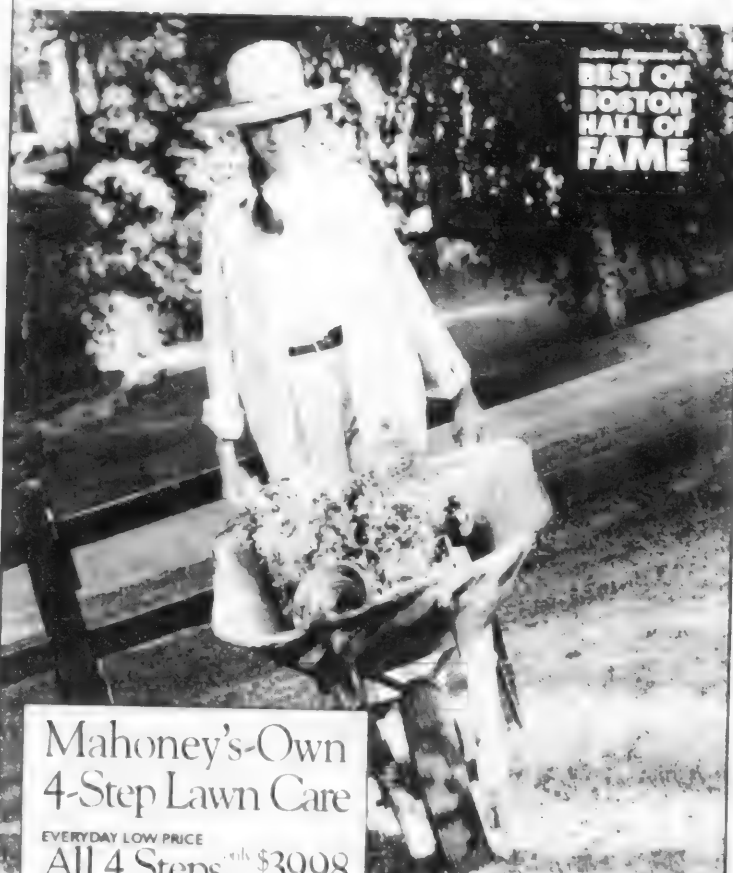
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Students have been missing class time recently thanks to someone at Andover High School.

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## Pulled fire alarms a frequent issue

### ■ FALSE ALARMS

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Murnane, who is on vacation this week, responded to Andover High School recently during one of the false alarms. "He was pretty sore," says Thornton. "He said he would prosecute (the perpetrators) to the fullest extent of the law."

Not only are firefighters getting burned out by responding frequently to the high school, it's a matter of safety, agree officials.

"(During) all the time we spend responding to the high school and searching out the cause of the alarm, we have all our apparatus out," says Fire Deputy Lincoln Clark. "It leaves the rest of the town unprotected."

Specifically, a fire truck from both the Central and the West fire stations, the deputy fire chief and police respond each time an alarm is pulled. Because nearly 1,700 kids attend the high school, both of the town's ambulances also are sent, says Clark. This means the department must "leave the rest of the town uncovered."

Clark says there has not been a rash of fire-alarm pulls like the current problem in the past 10 years.

The fire department can fine a home or business owner \$200 after responding to four false fire alarms. Fines increase after that. A person caught pulling an alarm can be fined between \$100 and \$500,

or spend up to one year in jail.

The department has fined Merrimack College. Last year, the college expelled one student who was caught pulling an alarm. This year, false fire alarms haven't been much of a problem at the college. "Word gets around and it isn't a big joke anymore," says Thornton.

The department hasn't fined the high school or students, but school administrators have some tactics up their sleeves to smoke out the guilty students.

"I know (Tuesday)... after the fire alarm happened, they brought everyone back to homeroom and took attendance," says Thornton, who responded to Tuesday's fire alarm.

## ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

### 75 Years Ago

This year has shown an increase of about 7 percent in diseases reported to the health department, states Dr. George H. Bigelow, commissioner of public health, in his 12th-annual report on that department. 2,194 people reporting influenza died, and the measles caused 30,020 deaths.

The Andover Country Club is making extensive plans for the opening of the 1927 gold season, Patriots Day, April 19. This year will be the second for the 18-hole course, regarded by the leading exponents of the game as one of the finest in New England.

No zoning plans will be presented to the Town Meeting until they have been thoroughly discussed and criticized in public hearings. More than 50 towns and cities have already adopted zoning plans, and none have found them anything but advantageous to the general welfare.

### 50 Years Ago

The Andover Recreation Committee is making preparations to make the annual Easter egg hunt the biggest and most successful event it has ever sponsored. It has purchased 14,000 pieces of candy, which will be hidden in and around the playground.

Andover's original quota for the Red Cross drive is still only about three-quarters completed, and now the tornado disaster has increased the amount of money that will be the chapter's share in carrying on the work of the organization.

Dividing the Central PTA into two units beginning next September is being considered by a committee appointed at a regular meeting last month. One unit would serve the Central Elementary School and the other would serve Punchard High and the junior high school.

Formation of a Junior League baseball team is under way. This league is for boys aged 13 to 15.

Henry F. Long, state commissioner of corporations and taxation, discussed state tax problems and said that he favored raising the assessed real valuations in an attempt to level off tax rates.

A letter to the editor declared that the people show a lively interest in school affairs and that the School Committee must take the leadership in presenting the facts to the people.

A summer camp on Laurel Lane in West Andover was completely destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon. Firemen were notified of the blaze by a Methuen resident who could see the flames across the Merrimack River.

St. Augustine's Div. B team, winners of the Central Catholic grammar league title in its class, was eliminated from the New England CYO championships at Somerville High School on Saturday, when defeated by the St. Pius 5 of Providence, R.I. It was the local team's first loss of the season.



# State tries temporary solution as high rents overbook shelters

## HOMELESS

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didn't put them there these people would be on the streets with their kids and have to fend for themselves."

At the Residence Inn, the state is spending \$109 per night, per family, to put a roof over the heads of two homeless families from Lawrence. That's cheaper than putting them up at a shelter, where it costs about \$120 per night. But shelters offer services like counseling and help finding a job, which families won't receive at hotels.

Powers says the two Lawrence families at the Residence Inn can't afford housing in the Boston area — the "epicenter" of the affordable housing crisis. The DTA notified Andover officials last week that the Residence Inn was these families' only alternative.

"The economy drove the rents through the roof for many of these people," Powers says.

Andover's number of affordable units has dropped to 8.5 percent of its total housing stock, according to 2000 Census numbers. The state recommends a minimum of 10 percent. The average Andover home sold for \$430,000 last year, according to this month's issue of Boston magazine.

Unable to pay rising housing and rental costs, more families than local shelters can accommodate have been forced out of their homes. The overflow spills into hotels, where the state houses families — typically for about one month — until space at a local shelter opens up.

For months, Lazarus House in Lawrence has remained at capacity, helping five such families at a time get back on their feet, says shelter director Shaun Logan. But unless rents come down, or the number of affordable homes go up, those same families are going to return to his doors.

"The rents are so high and that's the biggest problem right now," he says.

Lazarus House encourages its families to save between \$3,500 and \$4,500 before striking out on their own — hopefully enough to cover first and last months' rent and have enough money for next month's expenses. Saving that kind of money usually takes at least six months. "Even though they save that amount of money, finding an apartment that they can afford... really derails them," Logan says. "The last thing we want to do is set them up to fail."

"It's going to get to a point where (the state will) really need to take a serious look at the problem instead of a Band-Aid cure, like putting somebody up in a hotel," he adds. "Something needs to be done."

State Rep. Barry Finegold of



The state is footing an Andover hotel bill for two families.

Andover says the state is trying to help, by offering money-lending programs and comprehensive permits — building permits that require a percentage of a project's housing units designated afford-

able, rather than market-rate. The state has also passed the Community Preservation Act, which allows communities to raise their property taxes up to 3 percent, to be matched by the state. Up to 80

percent of this money can be targeted specifically for affordable housing. Andover will vote on whether to adopt the CPA at Town Meeting this month.

"There is no long-term solution (from the state)," he says. "The public government can help set up the infrastructure, but ultimately it will be the private sector that finds solutions."

State Sen. Sue Tucker says a new bill, signed into law in January, will help the private sector by allowing municipalities to "forgive" back taxes on foreclosed properties, and turn them into affordable units. In addition, the legislature is working on approving \$508 million, separate from the state operating budget, to help with housing initiatives next year.

Susan Stott, an Andover advocate for affordable housing, is trying to find that solution. She calls the state's spending on hotels

"ridiculous."

"They should be spending it on building affordable housing," she says. Stott is president of Andover Community Trust, a private organization that recently raised money, materials and volunteer labor to build the town's first permanently affordable home at 110 Haverhill St. In January, ACT found a family that makes between \$38,400 and \$51,200 — less than the area's median income — and helped them move in. The house's resale value cannot grow faster than the median income of the area.

ACT hopes to build two more affordable homes on two lots on Heather Drive. The organization will ask Town Meeting to authorize officials to release that plot of town-owned land to be used for affordable housing. "It's not a big dent," says Stott. "But if we don't do anything, what hope is there?"

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## Girdwood: Focus on goal of quality

### ■ NEW SCHOOLS

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it is far off. I'm embarrassed it was as far off as it was. \$900,000 is a lot of money. I should have been able to come a lot closer."

As the Town Meeting approached where residents voted whether to support the new-schools proposal, voters wanted to know what effect building the two new schools

would have on the school system's annual operating budget.

"If we had said \$2 million (at the beginning of the project) I don't think the town could've handled it," School Committee chairwoman Tina Girdwood says in hindsight. But as to the opening cost discrepancy she says, "You can quibble about this thing. We need to plan for all schools."

Crediting a parent from Support Our Schools, a pro-over-ride group, for her words Girdwood says, "It doesn't matter whether there was a miscalculation or an oversight. Whatever it was, we want an equitable, quality education in all the schools. The larger-picture focus needs to be on what we're trying to accomplish."

Of the \$1.3 million esti-

mate, Girdwood says, "That was a year and a half ago." Referring to an earlier figure given for opening the new schools, which was \$900,000, Superintendent Claudia Bach says, "We haven't been speaking of (that number) for the last couple of years." She called \$900,000 estimate "a first blush" at estimating the cost of opening the new schools.

## Paths: Kids could walk to new schools

Karen Reid of Andover Community Paths would like to see her children walk or bike to the new schools. They could do this by using existing trails in the woods in the River Road neighborhood.

"Not only is it healthier, it's safe with an adult," said Reid. The distance from her home through the trails is between two and three miles, which Reid called "easily bikable." She would like to see existing trails on all town-owned land connected to have all of the Andover neighborhoods connected.

— Ben Hellman

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## PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following is a list of properties that sold in Andover during November, the most recent period available from the Registry of Deeds in Lawrence.

**Correction to last week's property transfers:** Leona Cresey bought 22 Linda Road for \$299,000 from Street Nominee Trust, Timothy D. Sullivan, trustee. The mortgage is with Stoneham Cooperative Bank.

John A. Hackett Jr. and Amy L.

Hackett bought 25 Wabanaki Way for \$562,500 from Frank J. and Karen F. Ippolito. The mortgages are with Medford Cooperative Bank.

Lawrence John Shea and Dawn F. Shea bought 8 Peach Tree Path for \$475,500 from Ralph W. Dunham. The mortgage is with First Massachusetts Bank.

Information on property transfers is compiled by Ben Hellman from public information.



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This home on Wabanaki Way sold for \$562,500 late last year.

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# Education

## Doherty Middle team spells R-E-P-E-A-T

Andover Fund for Education's 5th-annual spelling bee for adults started with 22 teams, but only one was left standing

By Judy Wakefield  
AFE board member

**T**HE SHAWSHEEN SHARKS WERE LOOKING to sink their teeth into a first-place trophy Friday at the 2002 Andover Spelling Bee. Arriving in eye-catching T-shirts and shark hats, carrying a boom-box that blared the theme from the movie *Jaws*, and towing a plastic shark mascot, they were a team with a killer instinct.

Alas, it was not meant to be, as the team sank with a misspelling of "apocryphal."

The Kiwanis Killer Bees were also a team with attitude. Pumped up and ready to sting the competition, it was the word "cocoon" that swatted that team out of competition.

A crowd of West Elementary School supporters in the audience waved a West banner proudly as their team was announced. But it was a brief banner-waving experience, as that team misspelled "exhilarated" and went out, too.

Each of these teams tackled the Andover Fund for Education's annual fun spelling bee for adults, a five-year tradition in Andover that shows many local folks enjoy an old-fashioned good time.

The two-hour event attracted 22 teams this year. Two of the five teams in the finals – The Rotary Club and the Banknorth Bee Team – had only three people, instead of the usual four. That's 86 spellers who turned



PHOTO BY CAROLYN KANE

**Making pronouncements – Claudia Bach, superintendent of schools, and Peter Anderson, Andover High principal, had the word-pronouncing duties and served as moderators.**

out last Friday night at Doherty Middle School along with their contingent of supporters.

The final round of five teams sent four teams packing when they were asked to spell "stochastic." The only correct spelling was by the Doherty Middle School team, which marked its second consecutive bee victory. They are the first team to repeat as champions.

Most spellers from all the teams were from Andover and they represented several local schools, businesses and civic groups including AVIS, Andona, Kiwanis, and the Rotary Club.

Each spelling-bee team pays \$200 to participate in the bee and the money goes into the AFE grant money pool.

AFE is best-known for its grants, awarded twice per year to Andover public school teachers with innovative ideas.

"We are enormously grateful for AFE and their support," declared school superintendent Claudia Bach.

AFE president Mary O'Donoghue added that the event keeps coming back because people like it and it's just a plain old "good time for the Andover community."

Bach and Andover High principal Peter Anderson served as moderators. Three judges had the job of telling spellers when their spelling was incorrect.

There was lots of that as the rounds wore on and words got tougher. "Cacophony" stumped the senior-center team while South School's tropically-dressed team went south on "mnemonically."



PHOTO BY NEIL FATER

**Riding public support – The Ironstone Farm team may have been thrown by "shellac," but the team won the Spirit Award for its costumes, attitude... and artwork.**



PHOTO BY NEIL FATER

**Casting a spell – TEAM Doherty – teachers Terry Palardy and Elaine Elliot, and parents Eric Nadworny and Eswar Eswarappa – defended Doherty's title successfully. Elliott and Palardy were on last year's winning team.**

Andover High's team battled eventual winner Doherty until they missed word No. 13, "altricial," while the word "passel" eliminated the Sanborn School team. The Sanborn team wore bee-like antennae.

All the while, many audience members were following along and trying to spell those words. There were lots of



PHOTO BY NEIL FATER

**Fish fans – The Shawsheen Sharks and their fans look as if they found the spelling bee to be inviting waters. But despite their 'Jaws'-like headgear, the Sharks weren't the biggest fish in the pond.**



PHOTO BY CAROLYN KANE

**Send in the clowns – Andona Society members, from left, Barbara L'Italien, Nicolette Heavey, Lisa McDonald and Regina Kieckhafer, added some panache to the adult spelling bee.**

sighs as attendees also misplaced letters.

There was an audience competition, where members submitted written responses to several words, and four members wrote the correct spelling of all the audience words: Molly Bicking, Lou Poulo, Beth Mazin and Timothy Francis Wright.

## Creativity and teamwork pay off

Destination Imagination team from West going to the World Finals

By Ben Hellman

**F**OUR WEST ELEMENTARY students have created a musical about a businessman and a carnie and their ill-fated entrepreneurial plans to transform Easter Island into a tourist attraction of American proportions.

The students' creativity has earned them a trip to Tennessee next month, where the students will compete in the Destination Imagination World Finals. There the fifth-graders will perform their skit, "On Holiday," and compete

with as many as 200 other student teams from around the country and around the world.

The Andover team consists of Sam Weiss, Robert Martin, Eli Grober and Sarah Christ. The fun, jokey camaraderie between the four students and their fondness for each other is clear within five minutes of meeting them.

They explained how they work as a team and how they came up with their original idea. Each member has a strength to add and a role to play in the

creation of the skits. "I'm always trying to make everything work," said Robert, who acts as a behind-the-scenes man as well as narrating the musical. He designed the group's *moai*, or giant stone head from Easter Island.

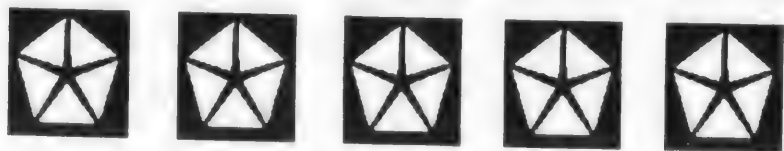
"He makes everything perfect," said Sarah.

"I'm writey," said Sam. "He's math," he said referring to Eli.

"I'm just weird," smiled Sarah.

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**Easter Islanders** - From left, Destination Imagination Global finalists, Sarah Christ, Eli Shapiro, Robert Martin and Sam Weiss pose in costume with their Easter Island statue replica.

## DI: Solving the 'On Holiday' problem

**■ DESTINATION IMAGINATION**  
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"We use Sarah's abstract thinking," said Robert.

"We can spin off her ideas," agreed Sam.

The friends took turns telling the origin of their skit.

"We were thinking of tropical places," said Sarah.

"We can do the big heads," said Sam.

"Easter Island!" said Eli.

"We thought it was kind of weird," said Sam.

"We like being weird," said Sarah.

"You just dissed all of us," Robert realized, laughing delightedly. Sarah plays the Easter Island native and also said, "I'm officially the crazy idea bouncer-offer person."

"We've gotten good at guessing each other and what we want to do," said Sam. They should be. Three of the members have been competing since the second grade, and Robert joined the group a year ago. "We've had a great time ever since the second grade," said Sam.

Destination Imagination, or DI, is an international non-profit organization that encourages children of all ages to participate in team-based, creative problem-solving. Part of the competition involved making and performing an 8-minute skit based on a problem given by the DI organizers.

The "On Holiday" problem required writing a scenario about people on vacation in a foreign country who encounter a custom, landmark or ritual and interpret it in two separate, but incorrect ways. The team placed second at the state level last month with their musical offering about a businessman and a carnie who visit Easter Island and get big ideas about the moai, the great monolithic statues the island is famous for, but are taught a lesson by an Easter Island native. "We thought it was cool because no one else would do it," said Sam. Moving on to the global level was something Sam says their parents told them not to expect. "I wanted to tell them 'I told you so,'" said Sarah.

The students decided to make their skit into a musical. "The whole show rhymes," said Sam, who took the group's idea and wrote the rhyming script, which the students sing through. The students have no musical score or accompaniment, but they have come up with melody lines that they have memorized by repetition and somehow manage to stay on pitch. Eli sang as the carnie, "Look here, it's a wonderful carnival game, come and try it, there will be no shame, into the mouth try tossing this ball, step right up, here one and all."

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# Pike students named to winter honor roll

Pike School announced that the following students have been named to the honor roll for the winter 2002 term.

Upper School students who achieved high honors have an "A" average in their coursework during the term.

## High honors

**9th Grade:** Dan Pappalardo and Laura Sciuto.

**8th Grade:** Kyle Bogaert, Alexander Campbell, Sean Hamilton, Andrew Hsiao, Rachel Isaacs, Domino MacNaughton, Pumelele Maqubela, Ali Siddiqi, Sara Snyder and Samuel Weiss.

**7th Grade:** Claire Abisalih, Nina Cameron, Tawil Contreras, Katherine Cormier, Meghan Doherty, Courtney Fiske, Jocelyn Greene, Min-Jung Han, Courtney Harkins, Evan Harmeling, Courtney Harris, Amy Hilman, Cecilia Jou, Eric Malitsky, Geoffrey Martin, Kaitlyn Mauritz, Michael McPherson, Gaetano Morello, Alice Nam, Michael Naughton, David Orlowitz, Susannah Poland, Corey Psinos, Rachel Rauh and Matthew Skinner.

**6th Grade:** Christian Anderson, Julian Azaret, Chelsea Barnett, James Campbell, Samuel Clayman, Jessica Cole,

Alexandra Comolli, Lydia Dallett, Gillian Evans, Caitlin Feeney, Marissa Ferrante, Luke Harmeling, Anna Harrington, Addison Hunt, Hannah Jeton, Max LeSaffre, Elizabeth MacMillan, Conor McKinnon, Wendy Mellin, Lucian Neville, Hannah Ornell, Andrew Riedell, Stephanie Simmons, Katharine Stover, Christian Thompson, Jennifer Tomich, Jessica Waters, Hannah Weiss, Jorden Zanazzi, Michael Zappala and Julian Zeng.

## High honors

**9th Grade:** Ariel Bibby, Madeleine Dubus, Gregory Haddad, Christopher Piazza and Brian Zapert.

**8th Grade:** Molly Baird, Amy Campbell, Brooke Clarkson, Benjamin Clayman, Garrett Cook, Katie Cowie, Jeffrey Cutts, Kate Denison, Daniel Desruisseau, Michael Draheim, Todd Eudailey, Sarah Harmeling, HyunSeo Kim, Eric Krupnik, Ania Krzywicki, Emilie Lantelme, Sally Lotter, Daniel Lundquist, Kathy Malleck, Charles Matses, Jacqueline Mimno, Ben Nelson, Laura Notini, Keith Oliver, Marisa Rodriguez-McGill, David Rountree, David Shack, Jeremy Wegrzyn, Benjamin Weiner, Sarah

Wetherell, Duncan Will and Shawn Xu.

**7th Grade:** Cassie Aponas, David Arrigg, Sam Baird, Jillian Beth Bargar, Erica Bibby, Anna Boylan, Jamey Caron, Robert Duggan, Katherine Dwyer, Robert Farnham, Matthew Ferrante, Madeline George, Gabriella Grasso, Anne Jenney, Joceline Liriano, Ryan Liu, Ashley Loranger, Andrew Lowrie, Tyler Magnin, Elizabeth Mainiero, Matthew McGrath, Luke Miller, Matthew Moschitto, Jeffrey Muscatello, Alexandra Pasanen, Jillian Schott, Taryn Schott, Daniel Shea, Hasan Siddiqi, Megan Straub, Corbin Tognoni, Michael Twomey and Alexandra Yuschik.

**6th Grade:** Jamie Berman, Kathryn Chaloux, Betsy Cohen, Michael Collins, Rebecca Cowie, Sarah Cutts, Caroline Gerber, Samuel Grant, John-Henry Heckendorn, Jennifer Hyslip, William Kavanagh, Kevin Kress, Matthew Krzywicki, Nicholas Letwin, Piers MacNaughton, Drew Masterson, Stefanie Muto-Graves, William Notini, Anna O'Neal, Trevor Poole, Kate Rokos, Andrew Ruiz-Henriquez, Bryan Strock, Max A. Thorburn, Taylor Wailes, Lindsey Weiner and Jessica White.

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## DI: Solving the 'On Holiday' problem

### ■ DESTINATION IMAGINATION

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"This is while he's juggling," said Sarah.

The other part of the competition involves a segment called instant challenge, where the students go into a room and are given objects and must use them to create a story on the spot. "We do best at the instant challenge," said Robert.

"Eli's pretty good at finding uses for things. So are you," Sam

said, referring to Robert. "I can use everything for a hat," said Sarah. As an example, the students passed a soda can around the room, pretending it was different things. "Looking glass," said Sam, holding it as a telescope.

"Shaver," said Eli, running it across his face.

"Hat," said Sarah, smiling cleverly. She amended her answer to telephone, holding the can like an old-fashioned telephone receiver.

"We spend a lot of time at this," she said.

Whatever happens in May, the friends will keep being creative and keep having fun. "We don't need to win to be happy," said Sam.

Asked what they hoped for from the Global Competition, Eli said, "To have fun. There's nothing to lose."

The students are currently raising money to cover plane fares and hotel costs for themselves. They raised \$450 recently selling candy to fellow students. "That's a lot of candy," said Sam.

Thea Shapiro, Eli's mother, requested funds from the School Committee last week. The com-

mittee gave the students \$500. The students have not yet covered their travel expenses.

"I truly dislike this part of it," said Shapiro. She is also applying

to local businesses for sponsorship, but hasn't met with any success yet. "I think we'll be selling water and treats at baseball and soccer games."

## AHS REUNIONS

### AHS Class of '62

The AHS Class of 62 reunion will be held Saturday, June 15 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the North Andover Country Club. To attend, class members must send their RSVP with a check to Priscilla Romeo Harrison, 81 Elm St., Andover, 01810; or e-mail her at <ralanne@aol.com>.

In addition to the reunion itself, plans are being made for a golf outing, a Sunday brunch, a possible tour of the current Andover High School, and the assembling of a class history.

• MaryAnn Pasquale Jurek (10 Chandler Road, Andover; or <maj7906@aol.com>) may be contacted about the golf.

• JoAnn Murray Gorrie (2402 Blooming Way, Gambrills, MD 21054) may be contacted about the Sunday brunch.

• Ginny Perry Reck (566 S. Spoonbill Drive, Sarasota, FL 34236) may be contacted about the class history.

According to organizer Jim O'Reilley, Reck "suggested that many of us might like a short history of what everyone has been up to since leaving 'dear old AHS.' She has volunteered to gather information and put together a document for this. Think of this as an update of our class yearbook. In other words, tell us what you have been up to, and in return you will receive a copy of the entire class update. (Those in witness-protection programs are excused from this exercise, but if you send us an excuse slip from your keeper, we'll share with you what the others have done.) A little hint here; since this isn't going to the Smithsonian, embellishment is encouraged, sort of like your listing yourself as a member of the Science Club in high school, and all children can be above average, and have accomplished things beyond our wildest hopes."

"We have contacted all but 35 of our graduating class; 38 of us are communicating regularly by e-mail," he said.

If you would like to be included in that e-mail group, send a note to Jim O'Reilley at <jimor5@yahoo.com>. In return, you will not only be kept up to date on what is going on, but also receive an electronic list of all your classmates, he said.

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## TOWN TALK

### Beeing comedy central for the school budget

In spite of these tough budget times for schools (a Proposition 2½ override looms), School Superintendent Claudia Bach can still have a good time.

At last Friday night's Andover Fund for Education Spelling Bee, she showed her lighter side while serving as a pronouncer.

"You think you have it tough. Well, all you have to do is spell. I have to *pronounce*," is how she laughingly greeted the 86 participants who made up 22 teams.

She went on to call most of the words "devilishly difficult" and got a few chuckles from the audience when she said the first word of the evening was "budget."

She was joking, of course, but was pleased when a speller held up her word board with a "pass the school budget" sign. It was Barbara L'Italien, co-chairwoman of the Support Our Students group. She is an Andover member and played on its bee team.

The school budget jokes continued when Andover High School principal Peter Anderson, well-known for his dry wit, took over pronouncing duties. He announced the bee will be held next year and then added, "because it costs (the school department) no money." He went on to describe the event as the "Merrimack Valley version of (TV show) The Weakest Link" and when the spell team representing Memorial Hall Library took their seats, he told them "this is like a root canal without the novocaine."

— Judy Wakefield

### Two decades of having heart

Louise Rozzi and Art Iworsley, physical education teachers at West Elementary School, celebrated their 20th Annual Jump Rope For Heart Event. A total of 187 fourth- and fifth-graders jumped rope in teams of four, five or six and collected a school-record breaking \$20,372.63 for the American Heart Association.

Alicia Scarpa, a fourth-grader, was the top money raiser, with \$2,435 pledged.

During the past 20 years that Rozzi and Iworsley have coordinated this event, a grand total of \$116,152 has been donated by the West Elementary community to the Heart Fund.

### Get ready for the annual Father/Daughter dance

Get those dancing shoes ready.

The Bancroft School PTO will sponsor its fourth annual townwide Father/Daughter dance on Friday, May 3 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Andover High School Field House. All Andover girls in grades K-5 are welcome.

Tickets are \$20 per family and will be sold at Learning Express and Daher's for Kids from Wednesday, April 17 to Wednesday, May 1.

Corsages may also be ordered in advance.

The event will include dancing, raffles, door prizes, refreshments, and photos.

For more information, call Annie at 978-475-7933; or Susan at 978-474-1957.

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## A new style comes to this Andover pulpit

By Judy Wakefield

**T**HE WOMAN IN THE PULPIT at West Parish Church these days brings a new sense of style to the scripture discussion.

She's Latin-American, having grown up in Venezuela as the daughter of a Venezuelan mother, while her father is a native of Spain.

Fluent in Spanish and proud of her heritage that puts a heavy emphasis on being passionate about living life, she certainly is not a typical conservative New Englander found in pulpits across the region. "I do bring a different style," Esther Rendon-Thompson said of her sermon style. "I am definitely not the typical, regular New Englander."

She loves music at her services and has been getting parishioners' attention with her openness about her cultural background.

Her passion is what the West Parish governing board was most impressed with. And, although there is no significant Hispanic population in Andover, they unanimously named her associate pastor late last year.

She has been on board since Dec. 2.

Rendon-Thompson agreed that Hispanic faces are rare in her audiences, but she knew full well that would be the scene when she took the job. In fact, she looks forward to her parish plans calling for her to serve as a bridge to get parishioners more involved with the minorities in communities surrounding Andover.

"I am a (Hispanic) presence," she said. "I am that bridge, and I will be asking myself 'what can I do' (to help others)."

Her resume shows lots of youth ministry experience and she plans to continue staying involved with the kids of West Parish. She formerly worked as director of the Hispanic ministry program at Hartford Seminary in Connecticut and also worked with youth ministries in Westwood and Framingham.

Rendon-Thompson, who has organized many mission trips in the past, is already working on an "intergenerational" mission trip for the summer of 2003.

In addition to beefing up the youth ministry outreach, she cited three other areas that will be getting her attention. They are: children of the church, a church curriculum for kids, and a membership drive.

Currently, membership at the 175-year-old church is about 400. Construction has been ongoing since last fall and the church expansion should be completed in a few weeks.

Married to a computer engineer, she is the mother of two daughters and four step-children, and very in tune with the importance of family services. She said contemporary family services are much-needed in churches and that is another area that she will focus on.

While a Saturday afternoon Mass is offered at most Catholic churches,



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United Church of Christ churches, such as West Parish, offer services only on Sunday mornings.

That, too, will be changing.

"I know what it's like when sports and other activities for kids happen on Sundays," she said. "It does happen these days and I think it's a good idea to look to our Catholic brothers and sisters and do what they do. We can learn from each other."

She has plans to start up a Saturday late afternoon service in the fall.



Rev. Esther Rendon-Thompson pauses in front of construction at the 175-year-old West Parish Church.

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### SLEEP FORUM

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aging, common sleep disorders and tips on getting a good night's sleep. Call the center if you would like to make a reservation.

Men's Breakfast: On Friday,

April 19, all interested senior men are invited to join us for breakfast followed by an informative presentation by Dr. Fred Davis from Lahey Clinic. Davis will speak on the topic "What Everyone Needs To Know About Anesthesia."

Reservations (\$3) may be made by calling the center.

**Blood Sugar/Diabetes Screening:** Home Health VNA will sponsor a free blood sugar/diabetic screening at the center on Friday, April 26 beginning at 1:30 p.m. No fasting required, but appointments are a must. Call the center at 978-623-8321 if you would like to make an appointment to be tested.

**Beginners Computer Class:** If you'd like to learn about computers in a small setting, be sure and register for our next beginners class, which will start Tuesday, April 23 and run for four consecutive weeks. Cost is \$40 and the class is limited to just six students.

**Supper Club:** Our April evening out will find us dining at Jackson's Restaurant on Wednesday, April 24 at 5 p.m. Cost is \$15 and menu selections are a choice of either turkey, steak kabob, chicken breast, haddock or veal parmesan. Stop by the center if you would like to reserve a spot.

**Woodcarving Class:** The spring session of woodcarving class with Fred Arakelian will get underway on Monday, April 22 at 9:30 a.m. and run for ten consecutive weeks. Cost of the class is \$20. Stop into the center if you would like to register.

**Movie Matinee:** Our next Monday matinee will be *America's Sweethearts* on April 22 at 1 p.m. This is a romantic comedy starring Julia Roberts, Billy Crystal, Catherine Zeta-Jones and John Cusack - based on the classic film, *Singing In The Rain*. Everyone welcome.

**Nature/Birding Walks:** Local expert, Al Retelle, will be offering a four week session of nature walks beginning on Monday, April 29. Walks will leave from the center at 7:30 a.m. There is no charge, but sign-up is necessary so we will know how many people to expect. We don't want to leave without you! Come experience spring migration at its best.

**Lunch Trip:** Our creative cooking group will sponsor a lunch trip to the Hartwell House on Thursday, May 2. Cost of the trip is \$28, which includes lunch and transportation. Time will also be allowed to enjoy the historic town of Concord prior to lunch. Reservations may be made by stopping into the center. Everyone welcome.

**Fix-It Shop:** The fix-it shop will be open again on Tuesday, April 23 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Our volunteers will be happy to take a look at any small item or appliance in need of repair.

### SINGING THEIR HEARTS OUT



Students from the South School Community Service group entertained a very happy group of people at the Senior Center last month. The students played violin, recorder, keyboard, clarinet, read poetry, and told jokes and sang songs. Even the audience joined in the singing. After they entertained, the kids served lots of snacks and mingled. The kids have been asked to come and entertain again, organizers said.

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## DRESSING UP



Jean Seero of Andover, director of the Adult Day Health program at Mary Immaculate Health/Care Services (MIHCS), holds one of the more than 100 bridal gowns which will be sold MIHCS next Thursday, April 18, from 5 to 9 p.m. at Cascia Hall on the campus of Merrimack College. The gowns, which sell for \$500 to \$1,500 in bridal shops, will cost only \$99 to \$299 at this special event. The annual sale raises funds for MIHCS, which provides elder care in the Merrimack Valley. MIHCS includes MI Nursing/Restorative Center; MI Residential Community, Adult Day Health Center, La Casa de Maria Inmaculada and MI Transportation. All funds raised will be used for elder services at MIHCS. The public is invited. For additional information, contact Deb Smith at 978-685-6321.



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Preview night (cost is \$20 per person) will take place Thursday, April 25 from 6 to 8:30.

The group sponsors these sales to provide special programs and services that expand and enrich the library's regular budget. These programs include Sunday concerts and readings, guest speakers, children's programs, book-discussion groups, fishing programs, genealogy programs, and monthly Wednesday morning programs.

**The Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology** and the Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society will cosponsor a lecture on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Douglas Anderson, chairman of the Anthropology Department at Brown University, will speak on "Post Pleistocene Coastal Adaptations in Southeast Asia: A view from the Western Shores of Malay Peninsula."

Anderson will focus on the

emerging evidence of how people in the region began to utilize the coast during the Holocene. He will discuss causes for the gap in the data of early Holocene coastal sites, which have been washed out as a result of the higher than present sea levels of the middle Holocene.

Slides of Southeast Asian archaeology will accompany his presentation.

The Peabody Museum is located at the corner of Main and Phillips streets, on the Phillips Academy campus. Admission is free and open to the public.

For more information, call 978-749-4490; or visit <www.andover.edu/rspeabody>.

The first annual **Building For A Cure Gala Dinner, Dance and Auction** to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will be held Saturday, May 17, at Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury St.

Cocktail hour begins at 7 p.m. Dinner begins at 8.

The event is to benefit children battling cancer, pediatric AIDS, and other catastrophic diseases at St. Jude Children's Research Hos-

pital.

To become a sponsor, purchase tickets, and/or donate an auction item, call 1-800-341-5800.

The Andover/North Andover Branch of the **Merrimack Valley YMCA**, 165 Haverhill St., is holding Volunteer Week in the branch lobby from Sunday, April 14 through Friday, April 19.

Volunteers will be present to answer questions about volunteer opportunities at the YMCA.

Volunteer jobs include: storytellers, babysitters, special events organizers, wellness-center assistants, clerical help, referees, homework helpers, and certified lifeguard positions.

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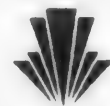
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**Lorraine Lordi**

.....  
But really, I wasn't alone. And neither were they — these good

One person — me — standing at the podium, preparing to talk about my own experience with breast cancer to a group of incredibly kind people at Madden's restaurant recently.

people in the audience who had come to sign up for the Greater Derry Relay for Life campaign, an 18-hour fund-raising event for cancer research, which takes place on June 7 and 8 at Pinkerton Academy.

For each of us had brought at least one other person with us. A person whom we carried reverently in our memory.

For my part, I had four lively spirits who were standing up at the podium with me. First in line was my Aunt Barbara. Although I can't be sure, I imagine she was there in her short, frizzy brown hair, khaki shorts, and mud-stained sweatshirt. She must have just been out in her garden, you

see, planting beefsteak tomatoes.

And true to how I always remember her, she was more concerned with making others feel comfortable than with worrying about her own appearance: "Well," she would have smiled graciously as she tucked a strand of graying hair behind her ear, "how good of you all to be here tonight. To give up your time for such a worthy cause."

Then to show her gratitude — even though her husband, six children, nine grandchildren, and school board duties kept her plenty busy — she would have brought a homemade pie for everyone at Madden's. All 120 of them. Because every summer, she made

a chocolate cream pie just for me. Before she lost her battle to colon cancer. She was 56.

Mary Perkins stood right next to my Aunt Barbara, eager to speak. For Mary always had something to say — especially to the hundreds of children who came to St. Mark Church's CCD program in Londonderry for, oh, at least 15 years. Wasn't that right, Mary?

"Something like that," Mary would have laughed. "But I never kept track. What I do remember, though, are the children's faces, their easy laughter, their tough questions: 'But Mrs. Perkins, how do you know for sure there's a God if you can't see Him?'"

"So Mary, how did you answer that one?" I would have asked her.

"That's easy," she would have said before she lost her 10-year battle with breast cancer. "I told them that I do see Him. I see Him there, in every one of their faces."

"I see the faces of my patients, too," my dad would have spoken next. "Over the years, they would often say to me, 'You know, Doc, we couldn't make it without you.' But I couldn't have made it without them, either. When I was losing my own battle with cancer, their stories gave me hope. And faith. They reminded me about

acceptance — and forgiveness."

Yes, Dad stood up there with me that night, too. In his light blue suit coat and baggy tan pants. I can see him now. His trademark grin that graced his face like a 6-year-old's. Those curious blue eyes that ceaselessly searched for a cure — not only for himself but for his patients — up until he took his last breath last March.

And then there was Katie, standing shyly behind the grownups in her simple white sweater and blue jeans. Only 20 years old, this young girl from Sandown quietly battled Hodgkin's disease for three years.

In fact, few people knew Katie had cancer: "When people hear that word, 'cancer,'" she once told her mother, "they're afraid. I don't want my friends to be scared and see me as someone who has cancer. I want them to see me as Kate. As their friend."

When Katie died this past January, hundreds of her friends flocked to the funeral home in tears. And what did they remember most about her? "That she was a great friend."

So thanks, Katie. And Mary. And Aunt Barbara. And Dad. I couldn't have stood up there without you.

► Lorraine Lordi is an Eagle-Tribune Publications columnist.

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## YWCA calls for nominations for Tribute to Women

The YWCA of Greater Lawrence is calling for nominations for the 19th annual Tribute to Women, which will be held this year on Wednesday, May 15, at Andover Country Club at 11:30 a.m. The keynote address will be delivered by Mary Richardson, co-host of WCVB-TV / Channel 5's *Chronicle*, the nation's only locally produced nightly newsmagazine. Richardson has co-hosted *Chronicle* with Peter Mehegan since 1984.

Tickets are \$40 each and can be ordered by calling Christine Doherty at the YWCA at 978-687-0331, Ext. 21.

Since 1983, the Tribute to Women in Business in Industry has recognized more than 400 Merrimack Valley women leaders from large and small companies in the private, public and not-for-profit sectors. Proceeds of the annual sell-out luncheon underwrite YWCA after-school, child care, teen parenting, health and domestic vio-

lence programs, which serve the Massachusetts communities of Andover, Lawrence, Methuen, North Andover and Salem, New Hampshire.

"In celebration of the YWCA's 110th anniversary, two changes have been made to the annual program," said YWCA Executive

Director Rebecca A. Hall. "Beginning this year, the luncheon will celebrate all honorees equally - no additional awards will be given to one honoree. Every woman selected to be honored will be recognized equally for her achievements. In addition, the YWCA has added the Bright Future Award, a

\$1000 scholarship to a female high school senior, sponsored by Lawrence Savings Bank. The scholarship to a young woman of achievement recognizes the responsibility women leaders have to help young women reach their dreams."

The Tribute to Women Steering Committee members include

Maria Bartlett of Andover, Carol Bateson, of Andover, CEO of DEC-TAM Corp. of Andover; Janice E. Burkholder of Andover, staff director to state Sen. Susan Tucker; Virginia D. Barrelle of Lowell, membership director of the Association of General Contractors of Massachusetts; Margaret Crockett of Andover, attorney at Goodwin Proctor in Boston; Paula J. Fines, of Tewksbury, director, Technical Support Services, Optical Products at Lucent Technologies; Mary H. Dow, of Methuen, president of the Dow Co. of Methuen; Ruth A. Keen of North Andover, certified nurse midwife and co-director of Clinical Services at Midwives of the Merrimack Valley; Susan Big, of Andover, financial consultant at Merrill Lynch; and Carolyn B. Temmallo of Chelmsford, president and director, Training Unlimited of Lowell.

The deadline for nominations is April 25. Tribute to Women or Bright Future Award nomination forms can be ordered by calling Christine Doherty at the YWCA of Greater Lawrence at 978-687-0331, Ext. 21; or check <www.ywcalawrence.org>.



Mary Richardson

## Andona membership drive in high gear

The Andona Society is looking for new members. Andona, a non-profit, women's civic organization, has raised funds for the enrichment of the youth in Andover for the last 50 years.

The fundraising is accomplished through various Andona-sponsored events, and donations are then given annually to various Andover youth organizations, groups and individuals.

For those new to Andover, Andona is a way to

meet other active, interesting women, organizers said, while contributing positively to the children of Andover.

"If you have lived in Andover for years, this should be the year to join Andona and make a difference in your community," they added.

For more information about the organization, contact Suzanne Ingram, membership chair, at 978-475-3380.

## 19th-century program turns 20

The Andover Historical Society is seeking volunteers to play the roles of 19th-century Andover residents. "Andover at Work in the 1820s" is in "its 20th successful year," organizers said, and is part of Andover's school curriculum for every third-grader. Students spend a morning in the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum at 97 Main St., where each receives the name of someone who lives in Andover in 1820. After "Mistress Blanchard" greets the children, they take a tour of her home. The children are assigned to small groups for hands-on activities of housekeeping, farming, storekeeping, firefighting, and printing.

Seven volunteers are required for each two-hour session, from 9:30 to 11:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 23 through mid-June. Costumes and training will be provided for volunteers who would like to portray farmers, housekeepers, shopkeepers, printers, or firefighters.

If you enjoy sharing the enthusiasm of children learning, are interested in Andover history, or have a son or daughter or grandchild in the third grade, call Julie Mofford at 978-475-2236 for more information.

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# Choral Society sets date for spring concert

The Andover Choral Society will present, "When Angels Sing - Music of the Anglican Cathedral" on Sunday, May 5 at 4 p.m. at the First-Calvary Baptist Church in North Andover. The program will include a number of selections from the 19th century pieces of Charles Sanford, as well as pieces by Ralph Vaughan Williams, Edgar Bainton, and a selection of hymns and anthems from the high Anglican service.

Originating in 1932, the Choral Society is in its 72nd session, one of the oldest, continuous choral groups in the Merrimack Valley. Even today some of the singers recall singing with the legendary Everett Collins, fondly remembered as a dynamic director of the annual *Messiah* and *Elijah* programs for many years. Throughout these 72 years, the Choral Society's mission remains the same: to foster and strengthen the knowledge, love and performance of choral music in Andover and the surrounding communities, thereby increasing the pleasure and understanding of choral music and its traditions.

Allen Combs, music director, in his 12th season with the Choral Society, studied at the University of Idaho and the University of Lowell and currently is an instructor in voice at Phillips Andover, where he has also conducted the Fidelio Society and the Academy Chorus. He was music director of Harvard Pro Musica for three seasons and now appears regularly as a tenor soloist in opera, oratorio and recital. He is a member of the Blue Heron Renaissance Choir and has given numerous master classes for



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Boston area choral groups.

Under Combs' directorship, the Choral Society has sung a diverse repertoire, including Bach's *Johannes - Passion*, Rossini's *Petite Messe Solennelle*, Haydn's *Creation* and music of Vivaldi, Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, and Opera Gala featuring works by Donizetti.

An exciting and ambitious program for the 2002-03 season is planned. In May 2003, the Choral Society will perform *The German Requiem* by Brahms, a piece con-

sidered to be a cornerstone of the classical choral repertoire. Organizers said, "The group is thrilled to be bringing this musical classic to our community." The *Requiem* will be accompanied by full 30 to 40 piece orchestra.

The Andover Choral Society welcomes new members in all singing parts. Rehearsals are held Monday nights at Christ Church in Andover. Further information is available at <www.andover-choral.org>, or at 978-687-8825.

## Avid Technology to sponsor Homegrown Film Festival

By Ari Spool  
Andover High School

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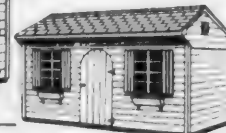
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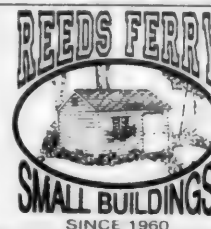
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# Arts & Entertainment

## Andover teens have just the right blend

The TouchTones, finalists in WBCN contest, to rock House of Blues in Cambridge on Sunday

By Ben Hellman

Like many teenage bands, The TouchTones rehearse in someone's basement — in their case, the basement of bassist Dan Gillan — and there's evidence to prove it. Pointing to a crack in the paint on a support beam, Dan's father, Leonard Gillan, says, "That wasn't there before."

Clearly The TouchTones have made an impression — and not just in the basement.

With a victory last Sunday over 16 other New England bands, The TouchTones have impressed the judges of Battle of the High School Bands, a contest sponsored by radio station WBCN.

The TouchTones are gearing up to play in the final round of the Battle of the High School Bands this Sunday at 1 p.m. at the House of Blues in Cambridge. The band will compete against five other bands that qualified last week. "We're hoping to have a good time and play our best," says Dan Gillan. The winning band will receive "thousands in gift certificates."

"Winning is secondary to having a good time," adds Dale Spollett. Still, Gillan admits that after the four Andover High School sophomores came in first last Sunday, "We were psyched. We were as happy as can be."

The band consists of bassist

Gillan; Spollett, who plays tenor and alto sax, steel drum and sings; guitarist and vocalist Martin Johnson; and drummer Steve Deering. They formed The TouchTones last October to perform at Andover High School's talent show and came together again to perform at the AHS Battle of the Bands, where they took first place competing against 12 other bands. The band is serious about making

music, but when they aren't playing, the four friends alternately joke and chide one another. Spollett says that the band was originally called Cap'n Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters. At this, Gillan raises his hand and says, "For the record, Dan was totally against the name."

They call themselves a punk/ska band though each member

has his own angle on their music and musical influences. Whenever one member makes an assertion regarding the band or its music it has to be qualified as that member's opinion. Reel, The Mighty Mighty Bosstones and Sublime were names of bands all could agree upon as having influenced them. "We're third-wave ska, wuss-rock, a little somethin' somethin', throw it in a blender with some ice and you have The TouchTones," says Spollett.

The band performs all of its own music, which Johnson initiates with lyrics and guitar, and the

rest of the band adds to and modifies at rehearsals. "I visualize what's going to happen with the rest of the band," says Johnson speaking of how he starts the songs. "I write the lyrics at home."

"And then we fix them," adds Gillan. The band listens to Johnson's lead and adds to it ending up with a finished piece. "If you do something the others don't like, they yell at you," jokes Deering. Asked what the songs were about, Spollett joked, "Martin's past girlfriends." Johnson ignored him and says, "Past experiences, people and our opinions about society."

"And cherry lip gloss," says



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

**Martin Johnson and Dale Spollett don't hold back when it comes to their music.**

Spollett.

"No," Gillan shoots back, laughing sheepishly at his band mate's wanton misrepresentation.

With the band rehearsing in the Gillans' basement, Leonard Gillan's home wasn't hard to find this week. Characteristically Jamaican-sounding ska guitar licks from his son's band were resonating through the front of his house along with a strong drum beat and bass line. The TouchTones rehearse at Gillan's house two to three times a week for three hours at a time, something the band is grateful for and Dan Gillan's parents are certainly gracious about.

Given the WBCN attention, their practice is paying off.

"Our parents have been really, really supportive," says Johnson.

Indeed, his father, Dan Johnson, brought the story to the attention of the *Townsmen* and three of the other young men's parents listened to their rehearsal, giving feedback between songs. Gillan's father wanted to point out that several of the young men are also honors students.

The band has another performance lined up for Friday, April 26 at 9 p.m. when they will open for the ska band Reel Big Fish at Mass. College of Liberal Arts (formerly North Adams State). The band hopes to perform at Andover's Old Town Hall in May, but a date is not set. The TouchTones has released a CD, *Destined for Flavor*, with eight original songs available online at: <thetouchtones.tripod.com> or from members of the band.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

**Dan Gillan strums a bass line for one of the group's original tunes.**



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

**Drummer Steve Deering keeps the band on track with his beat.**



**The TouchTones perform a winning set at the WBCN-sponsored Battle of the High School Bands last Sunday. The band will take its show to The House of Blues in Cambridge Sunday.**

## EVENTS CALENDAR

## Thursday, April 11

Former New York City mayor **Rudolph W. Giuliani**, part of Middlesex Community College's celebrity forum, \$25-\$65, 8 p.m., Lowell Memorial Auditorium, Lowell; 978-656-3238.

**Rosie the Riveter**, portrayed by Judith Black, free with museum admission, 7 p.m., American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; 978-441-0400, Ext. 261, <www.athm.org>.

**Rumors**, Northern Essex Community College's Top Notch Players, \$10, \$8 seniors, students, 8 p.m., Spurr Building, Haverhill campus; 978-556-3862.



**A Japanese drumming performance by Odaiko New England (ONE), will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 12, in Cochran Chapel at Phillips Academy.**

## Friday, April 12

**Women in government luncheon**, with state Sen. Sue Tucker of Andover and other local women in politics, sponsored by Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, \$25 non-members, \$17 members, noon, Andover Inn, 4 Chapel Ave.; 978-475-5903.

**Japanese drumming performance**, by Odaiko New England, free, 7 p.m., Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy; 978-623-6159.

**Bridge tournament**, sponsored by the Eastern Mass. Bridge Association, \$7 per session, 1:30 p.m., Topsfield Fairgrounds, Rte. 1, Topsfield; 781-631-

7064, <www.nebridge.org/emba>.

**Free film, West Beirut**, part of North Shore Community College's free Friday night International Film Festival, 7:30 p.m., NSCC's Lynn campus, Room E203, Lynn; 781-477-2166.

**Live jazz**, Phillips Academy Faculty Jazz Ensemble, free, 7:30 p.m., Timken Room, Graves Hall; 978-749-4995.

**Live jazz**, tenor saxophonist Deric Dyer, \$21-\$25, 8 p.m., Stoneham Theatre, 395 Main St., Stoneham; 781-279-2200.

**Live comedy**, Joe Piscopo, Tom Briscoe, Steve Calechman, call for time, prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93,

Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Dick Doherty, Greg Rodrigues, Ted Barrett, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

**Rumors**, see April 11 entry.

## Saturday, April 13

**Foreign film**, showing *Three Seasons* (1999 PG 13), free, 8 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m., The Atrium, Northern Essex Community College's Lawrence campus, 45 Franklin St.; Mike Palermo 978-556-3746, <mpalermo@necc.mass.edu>.

**Fourth annual Women & Policy Symposium**, sponsored by several local service agencies, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Psychological Center, 1 Union St., Lawrence; 978-681-4996.

**Healthy kids day**, featuring snacks, games, 1-4 p.m., YMCA, 165 Haverhill St., and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Lawrence location; 978-685-3541.

**Volunteer recruitment**, tutors, coaches, scorekeepers, field trip assistants, clerical assistants, 1-4 p.m., YMCA, 165 Haverhill St.; 978-685-3541.

**Live folk music**, with Atwater-Donnelly, \$12, 8 p.m., doors open at 7:15 p.m., Crossroads Coffehouse, North Parish Church, North Andover; 978-749-7025. ▼

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**Auditions,** Valley Players' production of *Red, White and Broadway*, ages 16 and up, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., The Amesbury Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-9444.

**Live comedy,** Mrs. Potatohead Show, \$8, Wingate Theatre, 45 Wingate St., Haverhill; 978-521-7664, <www.wingatetheatre.com>.

**Live fiddler performance,** with Scottish fiddle champion Bonnie Rideout, \$18 advance, \$20 door, 8 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College; 978-837-5355. ▶

**Live comedy,** Joe Piscopo, Tom Briscoe, Steve Calechman, call for time, prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93, Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

**Live comedy,** 9:30 p.m., Dick Doherty, Greg Rodrigues, Ted Barrett, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

**Rumors,** see April 11 entry.

**Bridge tournament,** 1, 7 p.m., see April 12 entry.

## Sunday, April 14

**Benefit concert,** for Neighbors in Need food pantry, featuring Jonathan Schakel, organist at South Church, \$10, 4 p.m., Methuen Memorial Music Hall, 192 Broadway (Rte. 28), Methuen; 978-685-8321.

**Organ concert,** with James Hejduk, 4 p.m., Brooks School, Ashburn Chapel, North



Bonnie Rideout

Andover; 978-725-6300, Ext. 3201.

**Live jazz,** featuring local youth jazz musicians and including Dylan Castaldi, James Krendel-Clark, Kyle Miles and Matt Villanueva, all of Andover, 3 p.m., Stevens Memorial Library, 345 Main St., North Andover; 978-688-9505.

## Monday, April 15

*Patriots Day holiday. No events scheduled.*

## Tuesday, April 16

**Yoga,** introduction to Siddha Yoga Meditation, free, 7:30-9 p.m., Siddha Yoga Meditation Center of Andover, 45 Whittier St.; 978-470-3118

**Marketing mixer,** sponsored by Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, \$20 non-members, 5-7 p.m., Stevens Estate, 723 Osgood St., North Andover; 978-686-0900.

**Children's workshop,** creating a book with Robin Hansen, for ages 8 and up, \$10 non members, \$5 members, Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236.

**Marionette show,** with the Tanglewood Marionettes, \$7, 10 a.m., noon, Georgetown Middle/High School auditorium, 11 Winter St., Georgetown; Sue Killian 978-352-7263.

**Lecture,** with Dr. Douglas Anderson, chairman of anthropology department at Brown University, on Post Pleistocene Coastal Adaptations in Southeast Asia, free, 7:30 p.m., Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy, 978-749-4490, <www.andover.edu/peabody>.

**Live jazz,** with The Greg Hopkins Quintet, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Casa Vecchia Restaurant, Route 97, Salem, N.H.; 603-893-6553.

**Open house,** EXIT Group Real Estate, 4-8 p.m., 28 Andover St., Suite 220; Brian Emmons 978-474-0400.

**Vacation programs open,** Department of Community Service, baseball, 8:30-11:30 a.m., South School and filed trip to the Museum of Science from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., departing from Bancroft School; DCS 978-623-8274.

## Wednesday, April 17

**Merrimack Valley Camera Club meeting,** 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 978-689-9643

**Poetry reading,** Powow River Poets, featuring Richard Levine and A.F. Stallings, free, 7:30 p.m., Newburyport Art Association, 65 Water St., Newburyport, Lois Frankenger 978-470-0040

**DCS school vacation programs,** trip to Big Apple Circus, 11:45 a.m., \$30, departs from Doherty Middle School; registration required 978-623-8274.

## Thursday, April 18

**Bridal gown sale,** benefits Mary Immaculate Health/Care Services of Lawrence, 5-9 p.m., Casera Hall, Merrimack College, Deb Smith 978-685-6321, Ext. 481.

**Poetry reading,** Julia Older, Roger Martin, 7 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143

**Film,** *Tea with Mussolini*, rated PG 13, \$5, American Textile History Museum, Lowell; Tracy

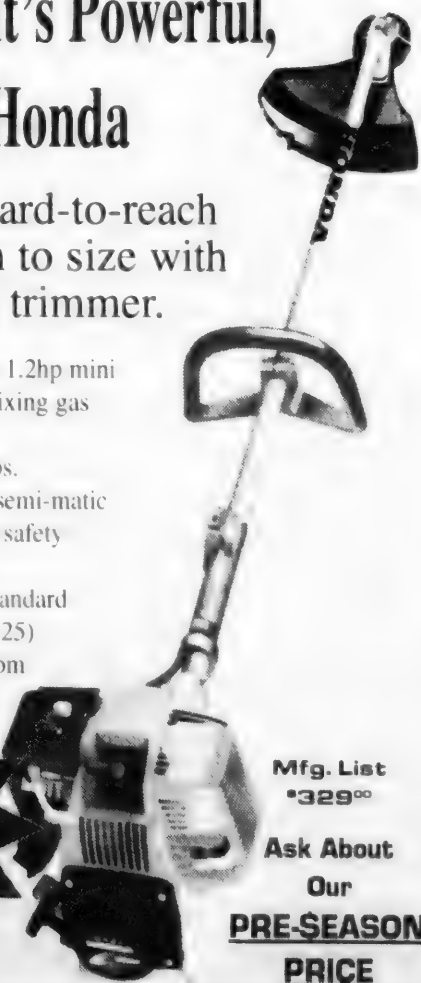
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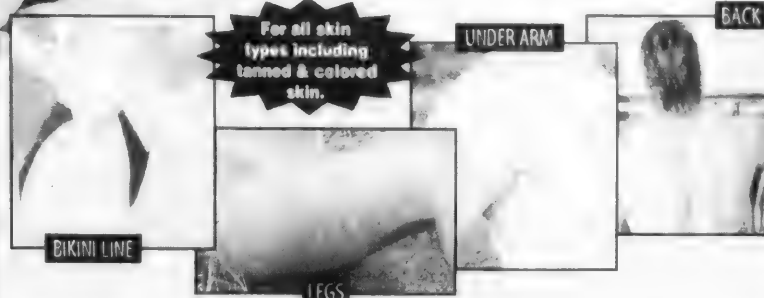
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**Children's concert**, featuring Kathy Byers, \$5, 11 a.m., Haverhill City Hall auditorium, sponsored by Merrimack Montessori School, Haverhill; Ronni George 978-374-6103.

**Workshop**, sponsored by Northeast Chapter of the Mass. Archaeological Society, on Adventures in Archaeology, free, 1-4 p.m., Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy; reservations 978-749-4490.

**DCS school vacation programs**, baseball at South School, 8:30-11:30 a.m., \$25, and field trip to Franklin Park Zoo, \$40, departing from Bancroft School; registration required 978-623-8274.

**Live comedy**, Andrew Dice Clay, 8 p.m., Jim Florentine, Ace Aceto, Jason Robito, call for prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93, Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

### Friday, April 19

**Dancing White Stallions show**, with the Lipizzaner stallions, \$19.50, \$2 off for seniors, children under 12, 7:30 p.m., Tsongas Arena, Lowell; 978-848-6900.

**The Wiz**, Colonial Chorus Players featuring Justin Colombo, Ben Pascucci, Dana Bissett, Alice Pascucci, and Pam LeMieux, all of Andover, Memorial Auditorium at Doherty Middle School, call for times and prices; 781-944-9780.

**Free film**, *Once Were Warriors*, part of North Shore Community College's free Friday night International Film Festival, 7:30 p.m., NSCC's Lynn campus, Room E203, Lynn; 781-477-2166.

**Historical Society of Early American Decoration convention**, 4-11 p.m., Sheraton-Ferncroft Hotel, Danvers; Betty Eckerson 978-887-7021. ▶

**DCS school vacation programs**, baseball at South School, 8:30-11:30 a.m., \$25, and carnival day at Bancroft School; registration required 978-623-8274.

**Live comedy**, Rosie's Bachelorette Party, call for time, prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93, Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Kevin Knox, Annette Pollack, Pat O'Shea, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

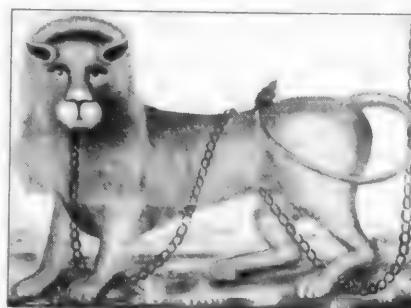
### Saturday, April 20

**Live chamber music**, Exsultet: A Celebration of Voices!, \$10, \$7 students, seniors, 7:30 p.m., Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan St., Danvers; 978-777-1371, <R@AL@exsultet.org>.

**Foreign film**, *The Grandfather* (Spain 1998 PG 13), free, 8 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m., The Atrium, Northern Essex Community College's Lawrence campus, 45 Franklin St.; Mike Palermo 978-556-3746, <mpalermo@necc.mass.edu>.

**Astronomy Day celebration**, sponsored by the Mass. Audubon Society, \$4, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary, Topsfield; registration required 978-887-9264, Ext. 7707.

**Alzheimer's conference**, for family and professional caregivers and sponsored by Merrimack Valley Elder Services, 8:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m., Wyndham



**The Historical Society of Early American Decoration, Strawberry Banke Chapter, will hold its convention and an exhibition of arts, antiques and crafts next weekend at the Sheraton-Ferncroft Hotel, Danvers. Call 978-887-7021 for more information.**

Andover, 123 Old River Road; 978-683-7747, Ext. 350.

**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Kevin Knox, Annette Pollack, Pat O'Shea, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

**Historical Society of Early American Decoration convention**, 9 a.m.-11 p.m., see April 19 entry.

### Sunday, April 21

**Historical Society of Early American Decoration convention**, 9 a.m.-noon, see April 19 entry.

### Ongoing

#### Museums and Historic Homes

**Andover Historical Society**, 97 Main St., Andover. Tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century. Contemporary Andover Artists

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Series exhibition, *Inspired by Nature: Paintings & Drawings* by Tamara Krendel, through June 30; *Creating Your Book* a special hands-on childrens art program taught by artist Robin Hansen, Tuesday, April 16, 3:30-5 p.m. Pre-registration is required for art programs. Volunteer teaching positions are still open for Andover at Work in the 1820s, interactive third grade education program running every Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The Caroline Underhill Research Library and Archives is open by appointment; call for an appointment; the museum is open for tours Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. \$5 admission; students \$3; 978-475-2236 <www.andhist.org>.

**Museum of Printing**, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring antique printing equipment, \$5 admission, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 1-8 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; 978-686-0450 or <www.museumofprinting.org>.

**North Andover Historical Society**, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St. changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th- to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties, 978-686-4035.

**American Textile History Museum**, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; *All for One & One for All: Uniforms in Fact and Fantasy*, exhibition features an array of more than 50 "fact and fantasy" uniforms worn by military, religious, civic, business, entertainment and

sports figures drawn from museums across the country as well as from individuals and organizations in the region, through May 27; *Famous American Series*, a program of Thursday evening events at the museum, 7 p.m., each of the six programs in the series features a different historic portrayal of a person who has figured significantly in American life, runs approximately 45 minutes, free with general museum admission; schedule of performances: *Third Thursday Modern Film Classic Series* dinner and a movie, package includes general museum admission, 5:30 p.m. buffet supper in the Gazebo Café, 6:45 p.m. introduction of the featured film and explanation of the costumes' significance by a museum host, and 7 p.m. movie, April 18, 7 p.m. *Tea With*

*Mussolini*, May 16, 7 p.m. *Remains of the Day*; package cost is \$15, or \$5 for movie only. Museum hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, and most holidays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; admission \$6 for adults; \$4 for students, seniors, and groups; free for children under 6 and museum members, parking is free, and the building is wheelchair accessible; 978-441-0400 or <www.athm.org>.

**Boott Cotton Mills Museum**, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 400 Foot of John, Lowell.

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**Lawrence Heritage State Park**, open daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 Jackson St., Lawrence; 794-1655.

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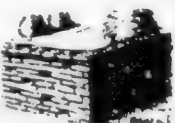
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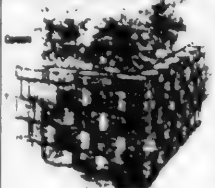
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**A Life in Art: Shep Abbott with collaboration of Art Space Cadets** is one of the exhibits opening Friday, April 19 at Essex Art Center. An opening reception will take place between 5 and 7 p.m. Call 978-685-2343 for more information.

physical presence, blurring the distinctions between traditional media: Phillips Academy campus, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; BJ Larson 978-749-4027, 978-

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and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century. Contemporary Andover Artists Series exhibition, *Inspired by Nature: Paintings & Drawings* by Tamara Krendel, through June 30. The Museum is open for tours Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. \$5 admission; students \$3; 978-475-2236 <www.andhist.org>.

**Town Manager's Offices**, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St.; 978-623-8200.

◀ **Essex Art Center**, celebrating Women in History month with works by four contemporary artists, Tamara Krendel, Anne Oldach, Pam Swing and Liz Awalt, through April 12, *A Life in Art: Shep Abbott with collaboration of Art Space Cadets, and Politically Charged*, a juried show of student work dealing with social and political themes, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 56 Island St., Lawrence; 685-2343.

**Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology**, *Objects and their Meanings: Historical Highlights of the Peabody*, displays ethnographic objects from the museum's collections of North and South America and a series of photographs that illustrate the activities of the museum's key people during the last century; Tuesday through Saturday, noon-5 p.m., free admission, Phillips Academy campus, 175 Main St., 978-749-4490.

**Brush Art Gallery**, *A Continent Away: Multiple Identities in Contemporary African Art*, through June 2; Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819.

**McCoy Gallery**, at Merrimack College, call for hours; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

**Whistler House Museum of Art**, Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7641.

**J. David Broudo Gallery of Art**, *Impressions and Expressions*, by J. David Broudo, through April 30, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St. (Route 127) Beverly; 978-232-2250.

**Sakowich Campus Center**, at Merrimack College, the Fireside and First

floor lounges, call for hours; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

**McQuade Gallery** at Merrimack College (located in the McQuade Library), gallery hours Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; closed weekends in January; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

**Montserrat College of Art Gallery**, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, noon-4 p.m., 23 Essex St., Beverly; 978-921-4242.

**Senior Center artists**, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court, 978-623-8321.

**The State of the Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden**, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester, 978-463-8883.

**Cape Ann Historical Museum**, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 27 Pleasant St., Gloucester; 978-283-0455.

**Memorial Hall Library**, Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; 978-623-8400.

**The Saltbox Gallery**, fine arts and crafts by 17 artists from the North Shore, Susan Manning O'Briant is featured artist of the month, through April 27, Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-1:30

p.m.; 49 Main St., Topsfield; 978-887-3844.

**Churchill Gallery**, impressionist painter William J. Maloney, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sunday, 12:30-5 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport, 978-462-9891.

**Mingo Gallery**, works of Kathy Connolly, Margie Florini and Joan van-Roden White, through April 5, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 252 Cabot St., Beverly 978-927-5964.

**Arlington Center for the Arts**, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., 41 Foster St., Arlington.

**Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery**, *In and Out of the Garden: Works by Don Bellanger, Holly Elkins and Mararet Coban*, through April 28; Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 136 State St., Portsmouth, N.H., 603-431-4230.

**Gelb Gallery at Phillips Academy**, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m.; 978-475-4419.

**Bravos Arts Gallery**, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., One East Main St., Georgetown; 978-352-8102.

**Alpers Fine Art of Andover**, 2 Main St., Andover; 978-470-0013.

**Arthur Griffin Center for Photographic Art**, *Afghanistan, photographs by Stephen Crowley and Simon Norfolk*, through June 2, Tuesday-Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., \$5

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# Business

## IN BRIEF

### Airline industry veteran to head sales

Qatar Airways, the Doha-based international airline of the State of Qatar, recently appointed Andover resident Ed Hunter as vice president to oversee sales and marketing in the Eastern United States. Bringing more than 40 years of professional travel industry experience to Qatar Airways, Hunter previously worked with TWA in a variety of executive sales and marketing positions. He most recently served as TWA's regional director passenger sales, eastern region, where he managed the team responsible for generating passenger revenue.



Ed Hunter

Regionally based in Boston, Hunter will help establish and expand Qatar Airways' presence in the United States.

"As Qatar Airways embarks upon another successful year of growth, we are very excited to welcome Ed Hunter to our team," said Gregory Epps, Qatar Airways' regional manager for Europe and North America. "It's an honor and privilege to work with an executive who hails from other first-class carriers, and we look forward to capitalizing on his expertise as we enhance Qatar Airways' image in North America," he added.

### Schultz joins Devine, Millimet & Branch

The law firm of Devine, Millimet & Branch has added associate Erich Y. Schultz of Andover to its team.

Schultz is a member of the litigation department where he concentrates his practice in the area of labor and employment law. He received his bachelor's degree from Eckerd College, his master's from the University of Florida Graduate School of Business and his doctorate with honors from the University of Florida College of Law. Schultz is a member of the Florida and New Hampshire bar associations.

Devine, Millimet & Branch, headquartered in Manchester, N.H., has offices in Concord and North Hampton, N.H., and Andover.

With 78 attorneys, the firm provides a full range of legal services to individuals, businesses, non-profits, cities and towns in the northern New England region.



**Local Olympic Pride** - Lisa Vigliotta of Andover, associate director of human resources at Suffolk University in Boston, recently put her best foot forward and walked around campus carrying the Olympic torch as a member of the Suffolk Torch Relay Team. This event attracted many participants within the Suffolk community - students, professors, deans, administrators and staff - and concluded with John Gilpatrick, Suffolk's official Olympic Torch Relay Team member, donating the torch to his alma mater.

## Battle of the banking trends

Banks rely on incentives to drive up the number of new accounts

By Rebecca Piro

**B**ANKS ARE USING FORMER favorites and trends of tomorrow to get Andover customers in the door and keep them happy once they're there.

Remember the days when banks offered china patterns and toasters as sales incentives? Sovereign Bank does - and now it's bringing back those traditions to send their customers home happy.

"Every six weeks we change the gift," says Kim Guerin, an assistant manager at the Main Street branch where a five-piece set of Pyrex bakeware is on display in the window. Since the gift give-away started a year ago last January, the branch has opened an average of 50 new accounts per month, she says. Next month employees will bring out the barbecue sets and hope for the same recipe for success.

Examples of old, similar sales pitches - or "pitchers," depending which side of the teller line you're on - are still sitting in the home of Guerin's family.

"My aunt has a set of dishes in her hutch from Arlington Trust Bank. And they're really nice dishes," Guerin laughs. Sovereign's sales incentive is going so well there's no plan to end it anytime soon, she says. "The gift is just a nice way to say thank you."

Of course, that doesn't work for everyone. Frances Field of Tobey Lane, who remembers when Arlington Trust Bank gave free gifts, says she was never a sucker for sales incentives.

"I already had dishes that I liked, and I didn't need (new) ones," she says. "It's not enough to get me to change my bank."

Across the street, Banknorth is looking to technology to better serve its customers. The company's employees are chattering about what they say is the wave of the future - talking ATMs.

"That sounds kind of... interesting," says customer Brian O'Neill of Stone Post Road, who's a little unsure and not completely prepared to have his ATM greet him personally.

"It's not that jazzy," laughs Brian Arsenault, Banknorth's senior vice president of corporate communications. Intended primarily to aid vision-impaired customers, Banknorth will spend about \$3,500 per ATM to retrofit its 400 machines with the technology. Until now, blind customers had to rely on the Braille printed on the ATMs.

"With the Braille system you could only comfortably withdraw money or make a deposit," Arsenault says. "Now you can make a loan payment or transfer money from account to account. It makes an ATM fully accessible to a blind person."

An automated voice will lead the



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**Jenn Hechemy, operations manager of Sovereign Bank, sets up a special thank-you gift display at the Main Street location.**

customer through the process, instructing the person which buttons to press for which transactions. The customer listens to the instructions through a headset to ensure privacy. Banknorth, following the example of some of the country's largest banks, will install the technology during the next four years.

"It's progressive," says Marybeth Leary, a public relations representative at Banknorth. "The fact that (the bank) is taking this step is admirable."

Banknorth's own sales incentive is a free plane ticket with every new account.

"You need to open an account with

\$500 - checking, savings, money market or CD - and you get a travel voucher where you buy one ticket and then you get a free ticket," says Leary. "If you're flying to California it's a great deal."

The flying incentive has encouraged many customers to jump on board, and since it started in January the bank opened about 750 new accounts in the program's first six weeks - something that probably wouldn't have happened in the original days of china patterns and toasters.

"People didn't fly then like they do these days," says Guerin.

## EXIT Realty adds franchise here

EXIT Realty of New England announced the opening of its 13th office in New England. Local owners Brian and Carol Emmons will celebrate this expansion in an open house at their new office 28 Andover St. on Tuesday, April 16, from 4 to 8 p.m.

"We are extending an invitation to all residents and real estate professionals to join us for some food and fun," said Brian Emmons. "Of course, there will be a number of special prizes," he added. Steve Morris, the CEO of the EXIT Realty Group from Canada, will be among those attending.

EXIT Realty International is a 5-year-old real estate company based in Canada that offers its associates the opportunity to earn higher-than-average real-estate commissions in addition

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"We offer each associate a residual bonus on sales made by agents they recruit," says Emmons. "That translates to a win-win for customers, as agents are most motivated to sell houses quickly."

Emmons has a background in finance, real estate and construction. After 20 years in the banking industry, he spent the last 9 years to developing a group of businesses that offer a complete real estate solution. These companies offer a wide range of product offerings from real estate and mortgage brokerage to home building, renovations, additions and painting. Brian and his wife Carol have two children and reside in Andover.

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# Sports

## AHS Roundup

# An inspired win starts Lady Warriors' season

By Rick Harrison

Senior Capt. Katie Haugh tossed a complete-game three-hit shutout, and Andover pushed across a pair of runs without benefit of a hit in the bottom of the fifth, as the Lady Warriors' varsity softball team opened its 2002 season with a 2-0 non-league win over visiting Newburyport.

"We were strong defensively, making all the plays we had to, and Katie was consistent as always on the mound," said AHS head coach Steph Ragucci.

"Haugh will keep us in every game she pitches. She won't overpower teams, but she will throw strikes."

"We didn't hit well but that part of the game will come," said Ragucci.

"We have a few seniors who are experienced at this level — but we also have a lot of young players who may need some time to get their feet wet."

"I'm sure we'll take our lumps this year. The Merrimack Valley Conference is very tough. Of course, we may catch the league in a down year. You never know."

Haugh had a no-hitter going into the fourth against Cape Ann League member Newburyport. She struck out five and walked only one.

The locals broke the scoreless tie in the fifth when sophomore Lauren Vieira walked, junior Jess Leider walked and both moved into scoring position on a wild pitch.

Vieira crossed on a passed ball and, after junior Jackie Collins walked, Leider scored the insurance run when senior Andrea Manners grounded out to second base.

Andover had the bases loaded with one out in the first on walks to Leider, Manners and sophomore Emily Farmer.

But Clippers' hurler Erica Colby worked free of the jam on a force at home and strikeout.

Newburyport's most serious threat came in the third inning when it put runners at second and third with one out. But Haugh bore down and fanned the next two batters to end the inning.

Andover managed only one hit in the game, a single by Capt. Kara Spang, but took advantage of seven walks issued by Colby who also struck out seven.

Manners played a strong defensive game at third base.

Colby paced the Newburyport offense with a double and single.

### Schedule

The Lady Warriors returned to the diamond yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, for another non-leaguer at North Reading.

Andover launches its MVC season tomorrow afternoon at home versus Notre Dame Academy of Tyngsboro (3:30 p.m.) which blasted Nazareth Academy of Wakefield 13-0 in its opener.

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

**Now you see it — Katie Haugh, on her way to blanking Newburyport on only three hits, prepares to let another pitch fly.**

Also playing for AHS in the opener were junior DH Kerrie Dargan, junior Dana Medaglio, sophomore outfielder Meagan Merinder and sophomore outfielder Liz Pallotta.

Other seniors on the squad are senior second baseman Amy Durant, senior outfielder Joan Moffitt and senior outfielder Tara Hancock.

Freshman prospects are pitcher Caitlin Carpentier and infielder/outfielder Anastasia Sullivan.

Moffitt played junior varsity softball as a sophomore, ran track last spring and switched back to softball this year.

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The Lady Warriors would love to put together a winning season and qualify for the tournament in memory of Alex Miliotis, who was on the varsity squad last spring and was expected to lend moral support this year before she succumbed to leukemia recently.

### OUTDOOR TRACK

Sparked by double wins from Capt. Natasha Camilo and Stephanie

when the Tewksbury girls invade Lovely Field.

### Andover girls 115 Methuen 21

The Lady Warriors placed first in 15 events and swept the discus, javelin, long jump, high jump, 100 meter dash, 800 meters and two-mile.

Camilo was tops in the high jump (5'0") and 300-meter intermediate hurdles (48.9), and she added a second place in the 100-meter high hurdles (16.1).

"Natasha had a great meet," said AHS head coach Peter Comeau. "This was the first time she ran the 100 hurdles in competition, and she already has the second-best time in the conference and the area behind (teammate) Katie Gustin."

Capt. Gustin nipped Camilo in the 100 hurdles with an area and MVC-best 16.0 clocking.

Gerry Hough tied the girls school record in the pole vault, clearing 8'0," and freshman Jenny Dlesk won the 100 meter dash in a blistering 12.9 seconds.

Casper's double win came in the long jump (15'5 3/4") and 400 meters (64.8), and she also completed a 13-point afternoon by placing second to Camilo in the 300 hurdles (50.3).

Other AHS individual victors were Jamie Singelais in the discus toss (86'3"), Capt. Betsy Miller in the shot put (30'10 3/4"), Ashley Faulk in the javelin throw (89'11"), freshman Brittany Moriarty (800 meters, 2:31.0), freshman miler Michelle Pirro (5:56.4), two-miler Caitlin Hamer (13:06.4) and triple jumper Katie Cail (33'11").

The 4x100 sprint relay of Layla Hanna, Charlene Fielding, Jessie Shields and Carolyn Berberian also broke the tape in 55.5 seconds.

Felicia Thompson placed second in the discus (86'1") and third in the shot put (23'7 1/4").

Other runners-up included Leah Campbell (javelin, 76'3"), long jumper Amanda Carlson (14'11"), high jumper Becca Fink (4'10"), pole vaulter Ali Fortier (7'6"), Berberian (100 meters, 14.0), freshman Emily Korba (400 meters, 68.1), Amy Palmieri (800 meters, 2:36.1), freshman miler Leslie Willey (6:12.1) and two-miler Jazzy Dingler (13:17.2).

Completing sweeps by placing third were Stephanie Auchterlonie (discus, 70'4"), Whitney Donigan (javelin, 73'9"), Berberian (long jump, 14'6"), freshman high jumper Libby Fortier (4'6"), Fielding (100 meters, 14.1), Emily Pearson (800 meters, 2:36.2) and two-miler Megan Lewis (13:22.7).

Also placing third for the Lady Warriors was sprinter Amanda Bucholz (200 meters, 29.9).

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Sophomore Vin Errico placed in three events for the Golden Warriors,

winning the triple jump (39'5 1/2") and finishing second in both the 110-meter high hurdles (15.9) and 300-meter intermediate hurdles (44.9).

"Vin is turning into one of the top athletes in the conference," said coach Comeau. "This was definitely a decent day for him."

Other AHS victories were posted by pole vaulter Chris Fortunato (10'0"), sprinter Jason Crabb (100 meters, 11.6) and Matt Nitzberg (400 meters, 57.6).

The all-underclass 4x400 relay of Phil Shaw, Ryan DeAngelo, freshman Robert Kaufman and sophomore Bill Perconi capped the meet by winning in 3:47.0.

Capt. Crabb added a second in the long jump (19'8"), while other runners-up included pole vaulter Dave Aleksa (9'0"), Alan Clarke (100 meters, 11.7), Capt. Mike Donahue (200 meters, 23.0) and two-miler Shaw (10:17.4).

Rounding out the scorers in third were Andy Pfeil (javelin throw, 134'0"), Jason Durant to complete the lone AHS sweep in the pole vault (8'6"), Ryan Donahue (200 meters, 24.9) and Taylor Hender (800 meters, 2:10.5).

### Tewksbury 106 Andover boys 39

Suffering one of its most lopsided defeats ever, the Andover boys managed only three first-place finishes in the 17 events as Tewksbury rolled.

Junior Phil Shaw had a strong meet for AHS with a pair of victories in the 800 meters (2:06.8) and two-mile (10:57.0).

The other win came from the 4x100 sprint relay of Capt. Jason Crabb, Capt. Mike Donahue, Alan Clarke and Anthony Silva.

Crabb also had a pair of second-place finishes in the long jump (18'10") and 200 meters (24.7).

Sophomore Vincent Errico was runner-up in both the 110-meter high hurdles (16.3) and triple jump (38'7").

Donahue finished second in the 100 meters (11.7) and Sam Nigh was second in the mile (4:57.3).

Hugh Zhang chalked up third-place points in the triple jump (37'9") and high jump (5'4"), while Silva was third in the long jump (16'9") and Chris Fortunato third in the pole vault (9'0").

"The meet would have been closer if Bruce (Brown) had competed," said coach Peter Comeau.

Multi-event standout Brown sat out the meet while continuing to nurse a hamstring injury.

"Shaw had a terrific day, but the most disappointing thing was he and Vin Errico were the only underclassmen to score for us."

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"We hope to pump up the interest in track by working with the middle school kids twice a week this spring and holding an invitational meet at the

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## AHS ROUNDUP

## ■ OUTDOOR TRACK

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end of the season," said Comeau. "We hope to discover some future stars."

## BOYS LACROSSE

The Andover High boys varsity lacrosse team opened the season in exciting fashion with a 5-4 overtime triumph against Merrimack Valley Conference rival Chelmsford, and the locals moved to 2-0 with a 9-6 victory against host Tyngsboro in another MVC clash Tuesday night under the lights at Irmin Pierce Field.

## Schedule

AHS hosts winless Lowell tomorrow afternoon at the Shawsheen Field (4 p.m.), and hosts North Andover in a non-leaguer under the lights at Lovely Field on Monday (7 p.m.).

Andover 5  
Chelmsford 4 (ot)

Senior attack Troy Lieberman broke a 4-4 tie with the winning goal 2:22 into sudden-victory overtime, as AHS registered an impressive Merrimack Valley Conference victory over the visiting Lions at the Shawsheen Field.

Chelmsford led 1-0 after one quarter, the game was tied 2-2 at the half and the visitors led 3-2 after three periods.

The Golden Warriors inched ahead 4-3 in the fourth quarter, but Chelmsford forced overtime with the tying goal 2:16 from the end of regulation.

Lieberman led the AHS attack with two goals and one assist, while Capt. Chris Callison and junior midfielder Nick Stamas contributed a goal and assist each.

Sophomore Brendan Smith scored a goal and Oliver Gregory passed out two assists.

Goaltender Alex Gostanian fin-

ished with eight saves, including two in overtime, while Chelmsford goalie Steve Valeri made nine stops.

Brian Jenkins had a hat trick for Chelmsford and Mark Moloney added one goal.

"We started slowly and they came out flying," said Andover head coach Wayne Puglisi. "But we didn't get rattled when we fell behind. The pace intensified and we had some hard rides to force turnovers."

"We defended twice in overtime before Troy scored — and Alex (Gostanian) played an awesome game from start to finish."

Andover 9  
Tyngsboro 6

The locals struggled more than they should have against stubborn Tyngsboro, but eventually pulled out the win led by junior midfielder Nick Stamas and sophomore middle Brendan Smith with a three-goal hat trick each.

Steve Seero netted a pair of goals and Aaron Dynes added one.

The Golden Warriors bolted to a 4-0 first-quarter lead, but were held scoreless in the second period as the Tigers closed the gap to 4-3 at the half.

Andover regained a more comfortable advantage with a 4-1 scoring edge in the third session.

Oliver Gregory, Troy Lieberman and sophomore Toby Cohen passed out an assist each.

Goaltender Alex Gostanian finished with five saves.

"We spent the equivalent of one full period (12 minutes) in the penalty box," said coach Puglisi. "We couldn't get any flow to the offense."

Ryan Cole sparked upset-minded Tyngsboro with three goals while Nick Russo, John Tartaglia and Brian Carey had a goal each.

Tigers' netminder Josh Lorman also kept it close with 22 saves.

## GIRLS LACROSSE

Diana Crawford and sophomore Stephanie Sweeney pumped in three goals each as the Andover High girls varsity lacrosse team pounded host Lowell 11-1 in North League play at Cawley Stadium in Lowell.

The Lady Warriors also played undefeated defending league champ Marblehead tough on Tuesday afternoon before dropping an 8-4 decision at the Doherty Middle School field.

Those results left coach Ryan Polley's crew at 2-1 overall.

## Schedule

AHS returned to action this afternoon (Thursday) at Ipswich High (4 p.m.), and the locals have vacation-week games next Tuesday at Beverly (11:30 a.m.) and Friday at home against North Andover under the lights at Lovely Field (7 p.m.).

Andover 11  
Lowell 1

The issue was never in doubt as Andover climbed ahead 4-0 at the half and outscored Lowell 7-1 after the break.

Adding a goal each to Diana Crawford and Steph Sweeney's hat tricks were Katie Stewart, freshman attack Jacqui Munro, sophomore Ali McCoy, Alice Gregory and Demorie Crawford.

Demorie Crawford also passed out two assists and single setups went to Stewart, Adrienne Shea, freshman defender Katie Nichols and Capt. Krissy Leonard.

Goaltenders Jennie Williams and Angelica Rotsart combined for three saves, while defensive standouts were sophomore Arianna Miliotis, Vaughan MacKenzie and sophomore Chrissy McSweeney.

"The whole defense played very well," said coach Polley. "We controlled the game, but we had trouble finishing our plays and their goalie made 21 saves."

Marblehead 8  
Andover 4

The Lady Warriors had powerful Marblehead (3-0) locked in a 3-3 tie with 15 minutes left in the game, but the visitors broke it open with three straight goals over the next 10 minutes to take a 6-3 lead.

"We couldn't get over the hump," said coach Polley. "After we tied it 2-2 they regained the lead 15 seconds later, and when we made it 3-3 they took the lead for good by scoring 14 seconds later."

Capt. Amanda Gallant paced the AHS attack with three goals and junior defender Lindsay Mann added one.

Diana Crawford distributed two assists and Demorie Crawford one, while Jennie Williams played the entire game in net and finished with 14 saves.

The Headers' were led by one of the top scorers in the state, junior Kim Reny, who netted five goals.

"We tried a box-and-1 defense against her but she scored most of her goals in transition," said Polley.

## BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The Andover High boys varsity

volleyball season opened to mixed reviews, as the Golden Warriors split their first four matches.

Shutout victories over Phillips Academy and Central Catholic were followed by shutout losses to Chelmsford and Lawrence.

## Schedule

AHS returned to the court yesterday, after Townsman presstime, at Methuen and tomorrow afternoon the locals host Billerica at the Dunn Gym (4 p.m.). The Billerica match was originally scheduled for 6 o'clock.

Andover 2  
Central Catholic 0

After falling behind 10-4 at the start of the first game, the Golden Warriors went on an 11-1 run for a 15-11 victory.

The locals then completed the sweep with a 15-13 triumph in a see-saw second game featuring several ties and lead changes.

"We played poorly at the start," said coach George Sullivan. "Only two of our first eight serves were in the court."

"It may have been first-match jitters — but even some of our veteran players were making 'rookie' mistakes. We had a good-sized crowd and that may have contributed to the nerves."

"When it got to be 10-4 we called time out, made a few changes, and began to wake up," said Sullivan.

The coach lauded the play of junior setter/defender Steve Gerstein.

"He didn't do anything fancy — but he settled us down by playing consistently. He made good passes to the middle and put his serves in the court," said Sullivan.

"Central is big. They have four basketball players and they were triple-blocking our best hitter, Steve Johnson. When that happens we need other players to step up and help out."

Team Capt. Johnson finished the match 17-for-19 hitting with a team-high eight kills.

Capt. Elliot Perkins contributed five kills, Capt. Stu Smilowitz was strong at setting and Shawn Furey was the top server with 12-for-14.

The AHS junior varsity dropped a 2-1 decision in the prelim, winning the first game 15-4 before Central rallied to post 15-12 and 15-13 victories.

Andover 3  
Phillips Academy 0

This season-opening victory will not count towards MIAA Tournament qualification because it was played under prep school rules, which include best-of-5 game matches instead of best-of-3.

The Golden Warriors rolled with 15-3, 15-5 and 15-4 wins.

Steve Johnson was the leading hitter with 17-for-20 and seven kills.

Elliot Perkins was 10-for-13 with four kills and junior David Hsu 6-for-7.

Stu Smilowitz led all servers with 21-for-24.

Chelmsford 2  
Andover 0

The host Lions flexed their muscles at Andover's expense, sweeping the MVC match 15-10, 15-3.

"This was not our finest hour," said coach Sullivan. "We were out-sized and they stuck it to us. They also stayed with the same seven players for the entire match."

Elliot Perkins and Steve Johnson were the top hitters, Perkins 16-for-20 with three kills and Johnson 14-for-16 with a team-high seven kills. Perkins also went 5-for-6 serving and Johnson 3-for-3.

Cameron Day contributed 8-for-9 hitting with one kill and George Lew, was 3-for-3.

Also serving consistently were David Hsu 9-for-9, Stu Smilowitz with 6-for-6, Steve Gerstein 5-for-5 and Shawn Furey 3-for-3.

Leading the way for Chelmsford were Rob Laiter (nine kills, three blocks), Chris Mendell (19 assists), Dave Byrne (six kills) and defensive standouts Mike Lonselle and Ian McGeown.

The AHS junior varsity once again lost 2-1 in the prelim.

Lawrence 2  
Andover 0

"We had a meeting of the minds on the bus ride home after the Chelmsford match — and the kids seemed to get the message because we played much better against Lawrence," said Sullivan.

The Lancers faced a struggle in both games before pulling them out by identical 15-12 scores.

The Golden Warriors battled back from a 9-3 deficit in game one to tie it, 11-11, before Lawrence closed it out with a 4-1 burst.

Andover led 6-0 and 7-1 in game two before the visitors used a 14-5 rally to complete the sweep.

"It wasn't a win but we were much more satisfied with our play," said Sullivan. "We had trouble matching up with their big hitters, but both teams made some terrific plays throughout the match."

AHS lost top gun Steve Johnson midway through the first game when he injured his hitting arm.

But, after ice was applied for several minutes, Johnson was able to return at the end of that game and play the entire second game without incident.

Johnson finished 15-for-16 hitting with four kills, while Cameron Day went 8-for-9 with three kills in what Sullivan termed his best match to date.

Elliot Perkins was 7-for-12 hitting. The locals were 49-for-55 serving but managed only one ace in the two games.

Stu Smilowitz had the ace and was 6-for-8, while Perkins was 8-for-8.

David Hsu went 10-for-10 serving, 3-for-3 hitting and also played a strong defensive match.

Steve Gerstein was 9-for-11 serving and 2-for-2 hitting, and Shawn Furey also played tough defense while going 7-for-8 serving.

Coach Dennis Aikman's Andover JV's (1-2) won their first match, sweeping previously-undefeated Lawrence 2-0 in the prelim with game scores of 15-8 and 15-9.

Playing well were Matt Monteiro (8-for-11 hitting, three kills), Casey Cho (5-for-6, one kill), Mike Alvarez (defense) and Sean Cummings (setting).

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## Amundsen retires after 30-year coaching career

David Amundsen has announced his retirement as the boys head varsity soccer coach at Andover High.

Coach Amundsen ends a 30-year career coaching soccer, volleyball and gymnastics in the Andover school system.

The North Andover resident and longtime physical education teacher is also credited with starting the Andover Youth Soccer program, while he was also involved with the North Andover Youth Soccer program from its inception.

Amundsen initiated the Andover Soccer Camp at Phillips Academy with friend and colleague Bill Tarbox, the current North Andover head coach.

Coach Amundsen achieved two major milestones recently, recording his 300th career victory and being inducted into the Massachusetts High School Soccer Coaches Hall of Fame.

His AHS teams appeared in 20 MIAA State Tournaments and reached the Division 1 North Tourna-

ment final twice.

Last fall the Golden Warriors finished 9-6-3 during the regular season and 11-7-3 overall, beating Malden Catholic and East Boston in the tournament before being ousted by St. John's Prep in the North quarterfinals.

His final overall won-lost-tied record at AHS was 313-104-71.

The Golden Warriors also won or shared 10 Merrimack Valley Conference championships during his highly-successful tenure.

AHS athletic director Jim Hurley characterized Amundsen as "an outstanding coach whose emphasis was always on his players and the promotion of the sport of soccer."

"Dave always represented Andover High School in the most positive way as a teacher, coach and gentleman," said Hurley.

"We want to wish coach Amundsen and his family the very best, for he always gave Andover High and the soccer program his best."



David Amundsen

## AHS ROUNDUP

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## BOYS TENNIS

The Andover High boys tennis team surrendered only seven games in singles and none in doubles, sweeping everything in straight sets on the way to a season-opening 5-0 Merrimack Valley Conference romp over host Haverhill.

In singles, Capt. Andy Chiaraluce pounded Howie Smyth 6-3, 6-0 at No. 1. Capt. Andrew Ong blitzed Pierre Gooding 6-0, 6-0 at No. 2 and Dan Rubin cruised to a symmetrical 6-2, 6-2 triumph over John Daneau at No. 3.

In doubles, top team Alex Cline and Wil Chen won 12 straight games to whitewash the Hillies' Glen Campbell and Guy Kelley.

Second doubles Avi Lasser and Nick Culver duplicated the feat with a 6-0, 6-0 romp past Mike Smith and Kasey Malynn.

Looking at those who played in the season opener as varsity mainstays are under Capt. Jason Lynn, senior Nick Vaccaro, sophomore Brian Axelrod and sophomore Max Christy.

Others currently scheduled with a chance to earn varsity status are:

As a winning tradition and track the varsity team of some players is from Newburyport. Nick Adams and Dan Purcell, seniors; Dave Hartung, Dan Linn, Dave Lussier, and freshman Mike Zakim. Dave Ong, last captain, Dave Scuderi and Ben Hise.

## Schedule

Capt. Mike Warriner, senior, continued a busy week with a JV match at Phillips Academy on Tuesday afternoon, a home match versus Methuen yesterday and a home opener at North Division 2 North power Concord-Carlisle this afternoon (3:30 p.m.).

The Golden Warriors will then take the school vacation week off and return to the court April 22 at Billerica (3:30 p.m.).

## GIRLS TENNIS

Looking razor-sharp in their first two matches, the Andover High girls tennis team rolled to a pair of 5-0 victories over visiting Merrimack Valley Conference opponents Notre Dame Academy of Tyngsboro and Haverhill.



Captain Kara Spang keeps her eye on the ball. The varsity girls softball team won its season opener Monday, beating visiting Newburyport, 2-0. Andover managed only one hit in the game, a single by Spang, but took advantage of seven walks issued by Newburyport's hurler, Erica Colby.

## Schedule

The locals returned to action yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, at Methuen and will play again tomorrow at Tewksbury (3:30 p.m.).

The Lady Warriors will then take the school vacation week off and return to the court April 22 at home versus Billerica (3:30 p.m.).

Andover 5  
Haverhill 0

AHS swept all five matches in straight sets and dropped only 12 games in the process.

## GAME SUMMARIES

## GIRLS TENNIS

ANDOVER 5, HAVERHILL 0  
at Andover High  
Singles

Marsha Mogilevich (A) def. Amy Beaton, 6-3, 6-0  
Carolyn Purcell (A) def. Lani Kimball, 6-0, 6-1  
Linn Spitzer (A) def. Heather Mortimer, 6-0, 6-4

## Doubles

Lauren Fitzgerald & Wendy Chen (A) def. Casey Miglion & Jessica Ambrose, 6-2, 6-1  
Jenicka Hornung & Elissa Slovins (A) def. Lisa Miglion & Nicole Sturdevant, 6-0, 6-0

## BOYS TENNIS

ANDOVER 5, HAVERHILL 0  
Singles

Andy Chiaraluce (A) def. Howie Smyth, 6-3, 6-0  
Andrew Ong (A) def. Pierre Gooding, 6-0, 6-0  
Dan Rubin (A) def. John Daneau, 6-2, 6-2

## Doubles

Alex Cline & Wil Chen (A) def. Glen Campbell & Guy Kelley, 6-0, 6-0  
Avi Lasser & Nick Culver (A) def. Mike Smith & Kasey Malynn, 6-0, 6-0

## GIRLS TRACK

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at Tyngsboro

100 METERS: 1. Jenny Dlesk (A) 13.2; 2. Hilley Oygard (A) 14.1; 3. Amanda Bucholz (A) 14.3  
200 METERS: 1. Jessie Shields (A) 30.7; 2. Megan Finn (A) 31.4; 3. Laura Shantler (NDA)  
400 METERS: 1. Stephanie Casper (A) 63.4; 2. Justine Douvadjian (NDA); 3. Carolyn Berberian (A) 72.1  
800 METERS: 1. Angela Broad (NDA) 2:29.0; 2. Brittany Monarty (A) 2:35.3; 3. Amy Palmieri (A) 2:42.1  
MILE: 1. Michelle Pirro (A) 6:00.5; 2. Tracey Sarro (NDA); 3. Shiva Yarbod (NDA)  
2-MILE: 1. Jazzy Dingler (A) 13:53.0; 2. Gerry Hough (A) 14:05.0; 3. Megan Lewis (A) 14:26.0

100 HURDLES: 1. Katie Gustin (A) 16.9; 2. Katie Cail (A) 18.5; 3. Patricia Wong (A) 19.2  
300 HURDLES: 1. Natasha Camilo (A) 50.0; 2. Erica Newcomer (NDA); 3. Cail (A) 51.2  
LONG JUMP: 1. Casper (A) 14'6"; 2. Douvadjian (NDA); 3. Ashley Beaucaire (A) 12'7"  
TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Cail (A) 32'2"; 2. Casper (A) 30'10"; 3. Broad (NDA)  
HIGH JUMP: 1. Camilo (A) 4'8"; 2. Maureen Boss (NDA); 3. Becca Fink (A) 4'6"  
POLE VAULT: 1. Hough (A) 7'6"; 2. Rachel Graf (NDA); 3. Allyson Fortier (A) 6'6"  
JAVELIN: 1. Ashley Faulk (A) 91'5"; 2. Pam Dailey (NDA); 3. Graf (NDA)  
DISCUS: 1. Katie Brice (NDA) 80'3"; 2. Stephanie Auchterlonie (A) 76'0"; 3. Jamie Singelais (A) 65'7"  
SHOT PUT: 1. Betsy Miller (A) 29'9"; 2. Brice (NDA); 3. Christine Sheridan (NDA)  
4x100 RELAY: 1. Andover (Bucholz, Amanda Carlson, Charlene Fielding & Oygard), 57.6  
4x400 RELAY: 1. Notre Dame Academy (Broad, Sarro,

Newcomer & Douvadjian), 4:47.8

## SOFTBALL

ANDOVER 2, NEWBURYPORT 0  
at Andover High

Newburyport — Kelley c 2-0-0, Cursey ph 1-0-0, Colby p 3-0-2, Vose ss 2-0-0, Ross cf 3-0-0, Sullivan lf 3-0-1, Hay 3b 2-0-0, O'Brien 2b 3-0-0, Adams 1b 3-0-0, Risoldi rf 1-0-0, Bowie ph 1-0-0. Totals: 24-0-3  
Andover — Jess Leider rf 1-1-0, Jackie Collins 2b 1-0-0, Andrea Manners 3b 1-0-0, Emily Farmer 1b 2-0-0, Kerrie Dargan dh 2-0-0, Dana Medaglio ph 1-0-0, Meagan Merinder lf 3-0-0, Kara Spang c 2-0-1, Liz Pallotta cf 3-0-0, Lauren Vieira ss 1-1-0, Katie Haugh p 0-0-0. Totals: 17-2-1  
Newburyport 000 000 0 — 0  
Andover 000 020 x — 2  
RBI: A. Manners 1. 2B: Colby. WP: Katie Haugh (1-0) 7ip 3h 0r 0er 1bb 5k. LP: Erica Colby 6ip 1h 2r 1er 7bb 7k.

## SPORTS TALK

By Rick Harrison

This column, compiled from information supplied by the colleges or by friends and relatives of the student-athletes, youth standouts and coaches involved, is published periodically in the *Townsmen*. Information may be mailed to the office at 33 Chestnut St., Andover, 01810; or faxed to 978-470-2819.

Kerry Nugent of Andover, a freshman forward on the Brown University women's ice hockey team, competed in the second annual NCAA Division I "Frozen Four" Tournament held recently at the University of New Hampshire's Whittemore Center in Durham, N.H.

Nugent, who skated in the Andover Youth Hockey Association and was a standout player at Brooks School in North Andover where she earned numerous honors, scored seven goals and passed out 14 assists for the Bears during the regular season.

In the Frozen Four, she passed out two more assists as Brown defeated

West No. 1 seed University of Minnesota in the semifinals before dropping a tough 3-2 decision to defending champ Minnesota-Duluth in the championship game.

Nugent set up the second goal for national runner-up Brown in the NCAA title game.

Brown (24-7-2 overall) earned its NCAA bid in dramatic fashion, beating St. Lawrence 3-1 in the ECAC Tournament semifinal round and host Dartmouth, 4-3 in overtime, for the title.

Brown overcame early 2-0 and 3-1 deficits against Dartmouth to win the game on an OT goal by Kim Insalaco.

Although she did not score in either game, Nugent contributed two strong performances for the ECAC champs who earned the second at-large bid to the NCAAs.

Minnesota-Duluth also edged Niagara, 3-2, in the other NCAA semifinal.

The semifinal and title games were webcast and televised locally on CNN-SI and NESN.

Former Andover High multi-talented football, hockey and track standout Mark Farnham recently received two separate individual awards from the Brown University Sports Foundation.

He was selected by his peers (alumni) as a member of the Brown University men's lacrosse "Team of the Decade" for the 10 years spanning 1970-79.

He was also chosen for the school's all-time "Team of the Millennium," this elite group comprised of the best players ever at Brown dating back to the start of the program in 1926.

Most impressive is the fact Farnham did not play organized lacrosse until he went to college, as the current Andover High lax program did not begin until 1998.

Brown competes at the NCAA Division I level and the Ivy League school is traditionally ranked in the top 20 nationally.

Farnham, a defenseman and 1980 graduate, was a two-time All-American, two-time All-Ivy League, Ivy League Player of the Year and the first defenseman to be selected MVP in the National North-South All-Star Game (1980).

Farnham also played football for the Bruins, recording over 100 career receptions at wide receiver. He was a first-team Ivy League and ECAC Division I

All-Star on the gridiron.

He is a member of both the Brown University and Andover Athletic Halls of Fame.

The lifelong Andover resident currently lives on Chandler Circle with his wife, Jayne, and their four children Grace, 17, Buddy, 14, and twins Kate and Anne, 8.

Grace and Buddy are carrying on the family tradition of athletic excellence.

Grace, a junior at Andover High, led the varsity field hockey team in scoring the past two years. She was also a top goalscorer on the first-year AHS girls ice hockey team, which went 12-1,

and last year she netted 29 goals for the inaugural AHS girls varsity lacrosse team which had a winning record (9-7-2) and qualified for the state tournament.

Buddy is playing varsity boys lacrosse as an 8th grader at Austin Prep in Reading. He will transfer to Andover High next fall as a freshman, which should make Golden Warriors' lax coach Wayne Puglisi happy.

Farnham is currently active with Andover Youth Lacrosse as a coach and director, as well as being involved with state-sponsored youth programs.

He works as a personal financial adviser at American Express Financial Advisors, based in Waltham.



Mark Farnham



## WHAT'S UP

# The action doesn't stop in Ultimate Frisbee

By Joseph Kolchinsky  
Andover Gophers co-captain  
and Gabriela Grosser  
Andover Disc-O-Chix  
co-captain  
Andover High School

**I**N A SPAN OF THREE YEARS, something came to Andover. It grasped the attention of students, and shattered the close-mindedness of some non-believers.

Ultimate Frisbee is similar to many other sports, but still manages to set itself apart. With the speed of soccer and the same concept of football, it is an easy game to learn. It differs by entrusting the execution of fair play to its players and relies on the competency of the players to run the game. With more than 150,000 Americans playing and many people all over the world, Ultimate has popped up everywhere, from high schools and colleges to the 2001 World Games in Akita, Japan.

The game is played with a circular disc, commonly called a Frisbee. With seven players from each team on the field at one time, the goal of the game is to throw the disc from a stationary position to receiving members of your team down the field. Action is continuous. If you catch a pass, you stop short, pivot on your heel and pass the disc in turn to another player, one who is preferably in the end zone, resulting in a point.

Three years ago, John Keaten and Ian Darling, members of the AHS class of 2001 and co-captains of the original team, brought together a group of students to play the game. In need of a coach, they solicited the help of the Boston Ultimate Disc Alliance (BUDA) for some much needed experience and Andover Youth Services (AYS) for funding and guidance. BUDA is the governing organization of Ultimate in the Boston region. Tommy Proulx, a member of the board of directors for BUDA came to the aid of Andover Ultimate. From the start, he has dedicated countless hours in coaching, transporting, and organizing the co-ed Andover Ultimate team. AYS has pointed the way around the obstacles we continue to meet in trying to become an accepted sport both in the high school and in the town.

On June 4, 2000, our first season came to a close as we finished in seventh place at the New England Championships in Devens, Mass.

Our second season started with a bang. As a result of so many new people trying out, we added a boys B team to the original Andover Gophers, as well as a girls team, the Disc-O-Chix. The A team continued to be co-ed, it



◀ In a spirited AHS vs PA match, Joseph Kolchinsky (at lower left, holding the disc in white) looks to pass to Ian Darling (running up the field on the right). Greg Booth, of Phillips Academy, plays a tough defense against Kolchinsky. Darling is the former captain in the AHS class of 2001.

came in fourth place last year at the New England Championships, the B team remained undefeated throughout the season, and the girls team achieved seventh place at Girls Nationals held in Amherst.

This year we are well on our way to a successful season. After organizing the "Go-pher the Disc" tournament in early fall, the First Annual Andover Invitational will be held at Pike School on April 20 and 21. The three weekends after that we will be playing in Northfield, Amherst, and Hotchkiss (Conn.). In addition to these tour-

naments, we have at least one game scheduled during each week of the season, which starts in early April and culminates June 2 at the New England Championships.

Andover High School has not yet accepted Ultimate as a sport. We have trouble getting fields, must pay for our own uniforms, and continuously provide for our own transportation. To provide for ourselves, we are assisting AYS in a middle-school dance, running a car wash in mid-spring, and selling raffle tickets around town.

The Andover Ultimate Raffle consists of several prizes, includ-

ing gift certificates to Athlete's Corner, Sweet Basil, and Andover Video as well as a free night of babysitting or a day of yard work, both provided by the Andover Ultimate Frisbee teams. To support the team by buying raffle tickets or giving a donation, contact the Andover Ultimate team at <andoverultimatefrisbee@yahoo.com>.

We hope to have a successful season this year. If you would like to come watch, our game and tournament schedule is

## 2002 ANDOVER HIGH ULTIMATE SCHEDULE

(ALL GAMES AT SANBORN UNLESS SPECIFIED)

### APRIL

Sat. 20 - All Day, First Annual Andover Invitational @ Pike School (tournament)  
Sun. 21 - All Day, First Annual Andover Invitational @ Pike School (tournament)  
Wed. 24 - 3:30 PM, AHS @ Phillips Academy  
Sat. 27 - All Day, AHS @ Northfield Mt. Hermon (tournament)  
Mon. 29 - 3:30 PM, AHS vs. Ashland

### MAY

Wed. 1 - 3:30 PM, AHS Girls @ Cambridge School of Weston  
3:30 PM, AHS vs. Phillips Exeter  
Sat. 4 - All Day, AHS @ Amherst Invitational (tournament)  
Sun. 5 - All Day, AHS @ Amherst Invitational (tournament)  
Tue. 7 - 3:30 PM, AHS vs. Masconomet  
Wed. 8 - 3:30 PM, AHS vs. Phillips Exeter  
Sun. 12 - All Day, AHS @ Hotchkiss, Conn. (tournament)  
Tue. 14 - 3:30 PM, AHS vs. Masconomet  
Wed. 15 - 3:30 PM, AHS vs. Cambridge School of Weston

### JUNE

Sun. 2 - All Day, NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Devens, Mass.)

above, and at <www.buda.org>. We play home games on the fields at Sanborn Elementary.

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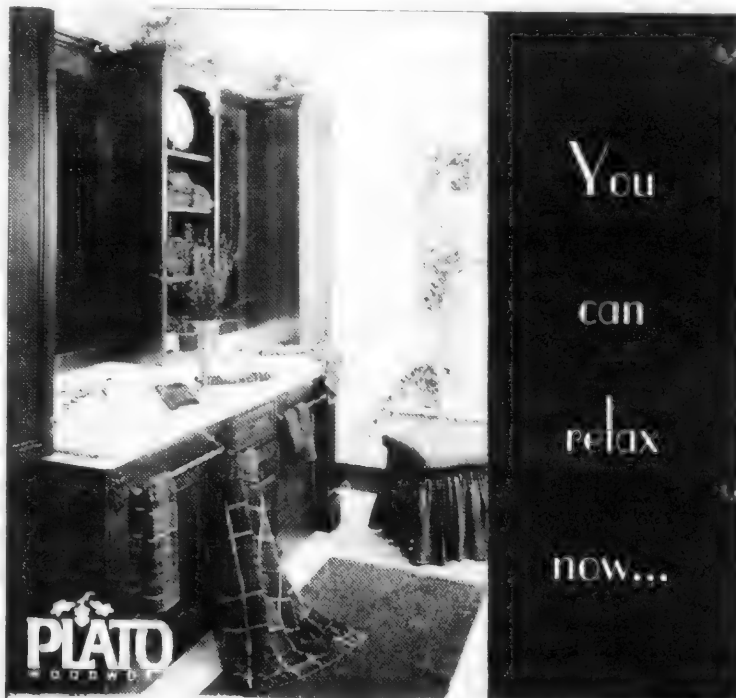
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## EVENTS CALENDAR

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admission, 67 Shore Road, Winchester, 781-729-1158.

**Ayer Lofts Art Gallery**, a cooperative artist space in Lowell, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 172 Middle St., Lowell; 978-970-3556, [sinfo@ayerlofts.com](mailto:sinfo@ayerlofts.com).

**River Gallery**, Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 4 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1559.

**Robert Lehman Art Center at Brooks School**, Tuesday-Friday, 8-30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8-30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, 2-30 p.m., 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover, 978-286-2542.

**Another Atmosphere**, 12 Pleasant St., Newburyport; 978-462-8129.

**Ocmulgee Pottery & Fine Crafts**, pottery by Janet Albert, March 2-30, fabrics by Barbara Holloway of Gahstee N.M., through April 27, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 26 Market St., Ipswich, 978-356-1298.

**Crescent Dragon Gallery**, works by Oni Sakti, through April 6, 59 Washington St., Haverhill, [www.galleryonthestreet.com](http://www.galleryonthestreet.com), 603-278-1111.

## Theatre

**The Weir**, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, through May 4, Wednesday through Friday, 8 p.m., Saturday, 4-8 p.m., Sunday, 2-7 p.m., 81 Merrimack St., Lowell, 978-454-6524.

**Annie**, Boston Children's Theatre, with Cara Lemire, 12, 101 Andover as Pepper, April 13-14, 18-21, 28, 2 p.m. school-day performances, April 24, 9-30 a.m.-noon, \$13-\$17, The Copley Theatre, 225 Clarendon St., Boston, 617-424-6634, [www.bostonchildrenstheatre.org](http://www.bostonchildrenstheatre.org).



Cara Lemire

## Local girl to appear in 'Annie'

Andover resident Cara Lemire (photo, above) will play the orphan Pepper in the Boston Children's Theatre production of *Annie* with performances running April 13-14, 18-21 and 28, at 2 p.m., located at the Copley Theatre, 225 Clarendon St., Boston.

This is Cara's first time with the Boston Children's Theatre. At Doherty Middle School, she is active in her drama club, the school chorus and gymnastics. She has been playing soccer for seven years, has traveled as a part of a singing group to Washington, D.C. for the National Festival of the Arts 2000 and has helped organize a fundraiser for the Sept. 11th firefighter/police fund.

**Lil Abner**, The Valley Players, through April 28, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8:30 p.m., Sunday, 1, 6:30 p.m., \$25-\$35 with dinner, \$15 show only, Amesbury Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-9444.

**Little Women**, Concord Players, April 19-May 5, \$14 evenings, \$12 matinees, 51 Walden St., Concord; 978-369-2990, [www.concordplayers.org](http://www.concordplayers.org).

**Arsenic and Old Lace**, Quannapowitt Players, through May 4, Friday and Saturdays, 8 p.m., 3 p.m. matinee on April 28, \$12, \$11 seniors, 781-942-2212, [qptheater.com](http://www.qptheater.com).

## Meetings/Activities

**Adult children of alcoholics** discussion meeting, Sunday, 10-11:30 a.m., Emerson Hospital Health Center, Route 110, Westford; 978-251-3329 or 978-448-5002.

**Alateen**, ages 12 and older, for teenagers affected by someone else's drinking, 7-8 p.m., every Wednesday, downstairs, Christ Church, 29 Central St., Andover.

**Pre-Alateen meeting**, Thursdays, 6:15 p.m., ages 6-12, St. William's Church, 1351 Main St., Tewksbury, Dottie 978-851-7655.

**Al-Anon**, for adults, meets every Wednesday, 8-9:30 p.m., first floor, Christ Church, 29 Central St.

**Al-Anon**, Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., St. William's Church basement, Main Street, Tewksbury; Dottie 851-7655.

**Al-Anon literature study group**, Fridays, 10:30 a.m.-noon, St. Anne's Church, King Street, Littleton; 978-256-9391 or 978-448-5002.

**Al-Anon meeting**, Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., St. William's Church basement, Route 38, Tewksbury; Dottie 978-851-7655.

**American Legion Andover Post 8**, second Wednesday of the month, Sept. to June, 7 p.m., Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlett St.; Ted Witman 978-683-9988.

**Andover Choral Society**, all voice parts are welcome to join, auditions are not required, rehearsals are held Mondays, 7:20 p.m., Christ Church, Central Street; Cathy Bruton 978-687-8225.

**Andover Great Books Group**, meets second and fourth Tuesdays, discusses book of the week, activity room, Memorial Hall Library, 7-30-9 p.m.; Jean McGreehan 667-9610.

**Andover Tennis Club**, for men, women and children, singles, doubles and mixed doubles play at the intermediate level, offers outdoor recreational tennis at Phillips Academy, 978-682-2291 or 474-0953, [www.c2tow.com/ats](http://www.c2tow.com/ats).

**BNI Business Network International**, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 a.m., Denny's, Route 114, Lawrence; Edna 978-640-8919, or Steve 978-975-1328.

**Bridge game and lessons**, Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Church, 6 Locke St.; J. J. Zamierowski 603-382-0123.

**Community men's chorus**, The Men's Chorus of New England, newly formed by Treble Chorus of New

## Behind the scenes of Antiques Roadshow

Andover resident Wilda Gerideau-Squires was one of the individuals featured on PBS's *Antiques Roadshow* on WGBH-TV/Channel 2 on Monday, April 8.

The program was originally taped in August 2000 and given a preview airing in Boston only during October 2001. The national airing was delayed until this April because the producer felt the "home-town" airing would be more advantageously slotted at this time.

The item appraised on-air for Gerideau-Squires was an 1821 Certificate of Citizenship for a free, black seaman. Coincidentally, she purchased the document during the 1978 WGBH Spring Auction for \$75. Needless to say, she was quite surprised and pleased when appraiser Phillip Merrill told her any museum would be delighted to have the document and that he would estimate its value between \$3,500 and \$5,000.

Asked what it was like seeing behind the scenes of PBS's most popular program, Gerideau-Squires said: "Once you're selected for taping, everyone is most helpful. The producer assigns a staff member to remain with you until taping begins. They have a 'green room' where you and your family (my husband, Walter, my sister and three nieces/nephews



Wilda Gerideau-Squires of Andover finds out her historical document is worth up to \$5,000 on PBS's *Antiques Roadshow* on WGBH-TV/Channel 2. The show, taped in August 2000, aired Monday.

were with me) are taken to relax and have refreshments until it's time for your taping. It's very exciting in the "green room" because you are able to see all of the appraisers as they come in to have there make-up done; we were thrilled to have met the now famous twin brothers, Leigh and Leslie Keno."

Also, during the taping of Gerideau-Squires's spot, representatives of *American Girl Doll Magazine* spotted her youngest niece, the then-11-year-old Nicole Tennermann of Newton. They asked to be allowed to photograph her with the document, which they did and Nicole's photograph, with the 1821 certificate, appeared in the January 2001 issue.

England at Merrimack College with Richard Barney conducting, 5:30-7 p.m., Tuesdays, West Parish Church, Andover; Anne O'Neill 978-837-5461.

**Drum and dance**, rhythm instruction, third Friday of month, 7:30 p.m., free-form drumming and dancing, 8 p.m., some percussion instruments available for sharing or bring own, Unitarian Congregation, 6 Locke St.; 978-470-1134.

**Embroiders Guild of America**, dedicated to teaching and preserving needlework as an art form, third Tuesday of the month, September through May, 7 p.m., Tewksbury Congregational Church, Main and East streets, Tewksbury; Rosemary Carter 978-893-0959.

**Exsultet!**, a chamber choir, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30-10 p.m., Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan St., Danvers; Richard Larrage 781-329-1741.

**Folk dance**, Skirts and Flirts Square Dance Club, weekly Thursday classes, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Shawsheen Elementary School, Shawsheen and Hopkins streets (Route 12), Wilmington; 978-658-4022 or 978-658-3480.

**Female incest survivors**, confidential meeting facilitated by sexual assault staff member at YWCA of Greater Lawrence, Tuesdays, 6-7:30 p.m., 38 Lawrence St., Lawrence; Bonnie Bruno 978-687-0331.

**Grandparents as Parents Resource**

**Network of Greater Lowell**, 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m., Sts. Memorial Hospital, Lowell; Rachelle Comtois 978-459-3242.

**Lowell Opera Company** rehearsals Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., new members welcome, auditions not required, First United Baptist Church, Church Street, Lowell; Vita Selvaggio 978-453-3610.

**Lyme Disease Information, Support Group**, second Tuesday of the month, 7-9 p.m., Heritage at Danvers, 9 Summer St., Danvers; Kay Lyon 978-468-6336, [www.lymesite.com](http://www.lymesite.com).

**Memorial Hall Library**, book discussion every fourth Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Activity Room, Elm Square; Nan Stevens 978-683-7377.

**Men's woodcarving group** meets on Mondays at 9 a.m. on a drop-in basis at Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlett St.; 978-623-8321.

**Merrimack Valley Camera Club**, Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover; Sarah Musumeci 978-688-1116.

**The Merrimacks Toastmasters Club**, second and fourth Mondays of month, guests welcome, 7 p.m. Prescott House Nursing Home, North Andover; Bill Cashman 978-475-0721.

**Merrimack Valley Camera Club**, meets every Wednesday, 7:15 p.m., visitors welcome, Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; Sarah Musumeci 978-688-

1116.

**Merrimack Valley Chapter of Embroiders Guild**, third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Tewksbury Congregational Church, Main and East streets, Tewksbury; Elizabeth Brown 978-877-1827.

**Merrimack Valley Chorus**, a women's cappella group, rehearsals Thursdays 7:30 p.m., Wilmington Arts Council Building, Route 62, Wilmington; 978-851-7764, [www.merrimackvalleychorus.com](http://www.merrimackvalleychorus.com).

**Methuen Community Band** rehearses every other Thursday 7-9 p.m., all instruments and levels of skills welcome, band room, Methuen High School, 1 Ranger Road, Methuen; Lori 978-794-1973.

**Middlesex Singers**, mixed chamber music chorus, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30 p.m., First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church, 2 Westford St., Chelmsford; Pat Moore 978-256-7143.

**Mother Connection**, a non-profit organization serving parents and children, offers playspace for children under 5 Tuesday and Friday 9:30-11 a.m. when school is in session, babysitting cooperative, new mother coffee, book discussion group, rhyme time Fridays at 11 a.m., \$25 one year; 978-470-1500.

**Nashoba Valley Chorale**, auditions on Sept. 10, 17, 24 and Oct. 1, 7:15-9:45 p.m., First Baptist Church, Littleton

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

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Common, Littleton; Todd Dixon 781-564-3103 (days).

**Newburyport Choral Society** rehearses Mondays, 7:30-10 p.m., Central Congregational Church, corner of Pleasant and Titcomb streets, Newburyport; 978-462-0650.

**Newburyport Civil War Roundtable**, meets first Monday each month. Ten Center Street Restaurant, 10 Center St., Newburyport, 7:30 p.m., Victoria Ladd 373-1723, or Kevin Brightney 978-465-2215.

**Newcomers Club of the Andovers**, social club for residents of Andover

and North Andover, variety of activities, membership open to new and established residents; Dawn Kraskey 978-749-9558; or Beth Friedberg 794-7660.

**New Beginnings**, interfaith singles support group, directed by Camille Gianaris, MDiv., of Andover. Wednesdays, Christ Church United in Lowell, 1 Bartlett St., Lowell; 978-459-9631.

**North Reading Community Chorale** invites anyone who enjoys singing to join their rehearsals Mondays at 7:30 p.m., at Hood School, Haverhill Street, North Reading; 978-664-3594.

**North Regional Theatre Workshop**, forming adult choral group to sing

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**North Shore Chorus of Sweet Adelines International**, welcomes women over 18, rehearsals every Monday at 7:30-10 p.m. at Broadway Lutheran Church, 280 Broadway, Lynn; Gloria Kozlosky (617) 233-5732 or Becky Christie 978-745-8340.

**North Shore Youth Symphony Orchestra**, rehearses every Monday in the late afternoon/early evening, at Ipswich High School, includes musicians ages 7-18 who perform with

either the Youth Symphony intermezzo or prelude string sections of the orchestra; Trudy Larson 685-7844 (audition).

**Pre-Alateen**, for ages 6-12, Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., Pines of Tewksbury, 2580 Main St., Tewksbury; Dottie 851-7655.

**Renew**, bereavement support group of the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Greater Lowell, third Thursday of each month, Cancer Center, Lowell General Hospital, 295 Varnum Ave., Lowell; Marie Jennings, 978-459-9343, Ext. 783.

**Sacred Choral Artists**, performs sacred music throughout the ages,

Mondays, 7 p.m., Haverhill; Susan Robinson 781-665-9254 or <www.sacredchoralartists.org>.

**Safe Place**, for those who have lost a loved one or friend to suicide, meets second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 7-9:30 p.m., The Samaritans, 169 East St., Methuen; 978-688-0030.

**Samaritans**, information night, 1st Wednesday of each month, those who have lost a loved one or friend to suicide meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Samaritan Center, 169 East St, Methuen; 978-688-0030.

**Single Eights Square Dance Club**, 6 p.m., \$5 donation, First Calvary Baptist Church, Massachusetts Avenue and Route 125, North Andover; Carol 978-851-7876.

**The Single Life Reading chapter**, open to singles over age 21, Andover meetings; Nigel 794-4427.

**Smoking cessation classes**, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m., Holy Family Hospital Board Room, 70 East St., Methuen; 978-687-0156, ext. 2720.

**The Social Connection (TSC)**, a singles group for ages 30-60; 800-628-7651.

**Sons of Norway**, Morgensolen #545, meets the second Friday of the month, September-May, Masonic Temple, Beverly; Valerie C. Faxon 978-462-2439.

**Soul retrieval class**, six weeks, Wednesdays 7-9 p.m., Imagine Studios, 29 Maine St., Amesbury, Thursdays, 7:15-9:45 p.m., Circles of Wisdom Bookstore, 90 Main St., Andover, \$150; M. Leontine Hartzell 978-475-1268.

**Square-dancing**, teens, couples, and singles, Mondays, Amvets Hall, Primrose Street, Haverhill, 8 p.m.; Jeanne (617) 279-4328 or Eddie 774-7266.

**South Asia book discussion group**, meets the second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Champa Bilwakesh 978-475-3346 or Norma Gammon 978-623-8400.

## Open house at Peabody Museum

The Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology and the Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society will cosponsor an open house next Thursday, April 18, from 1 to 4 p.m.

The spring school vacation workshop, *Adventures in Archaeology*, is for families and children aged six and older accompanied by an adult. Participate in hands-on activities that include a simulated archaeological dig and real artifact identification and analyses. Talk to an archaeologist about "tools of the trade." Tour the exhibits *Objects and Their Stories: Historical Highlights from the Peabody Museum* and "Native Peoples of New England" and the restored Travis Mural.

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## POLICE LOG

### THEFTS

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Street resident reported the theft of a cell phone.

Monday, April 8 – At 11:35 a.m., a male reported that someone had been using his checking account fraudulently.

Tuesday, April 9 – At 4:20 p.m., a security officer from Phillips Academy reported that three bikes had been stolen.

### AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, April 4 – At 10:01 p.m., a Grandview Terrace resident reported that a car had been running for an hour unattended. A responding officer determined that the car's owner had forgotten about it. The owner shut the car off for the night.

Saturday, April 6 – At 7:37

a.m., an officer issued a driver a court summons for speeding, driving without registration in possession and driving with a suspended license. The car was towed away.

At 12:40 p.m., an officer issued a driver a court summons for driving with a suspended license. The vehicle was towed away.

Sunday, April 7 – At 1:33 p.m., an officer issued a court summons to a person for driving with a revoked registration and without insurance.

Monday, April 8 – At 8:52 a.m., police issued a court summons to a driver who was driving a car with illegally attached license plates.

At 10:44 a.m., an officer assisted a person on Barnard Street with unlocking his car.

Tuesday, April 9 – At 7:21 p.m., a Morton Street resident reported that two vehicles were drag racing down the street.

### ACCIDENTS

Thursday, April 4 – At 3:44 p.m., a pedestrian was struck by a car on Interstate 495 North. The state police handled the incident.

Saturday, April 6 – At 2:17 p.m., a male reported that he had hit a child on a bicycle while driving on Memorial Circle. The child was not injured and the car had minor damage.

### VANDALISM

Six incidents of vandalism were reported this week.

– Compiled by Rebecca Piro

### Override push

## Newletter goes out

By Ben Hellman

The School Committee is getting the word out. It sent the committee's newsletter, The Blackboard, to all Andover residents last week.

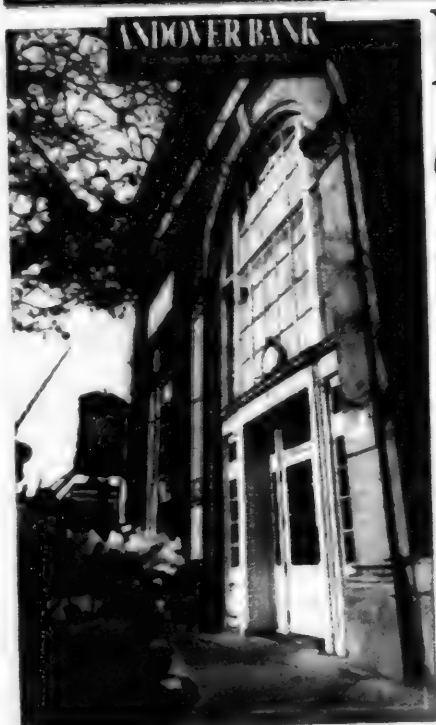
The newsletter has gone out four times since 2000. This edition includes four budget-related articles requesting support for the override as well as a guest article by Doherty principal Floyd McManus on the middle-school concept.

The override articles are written by Superintendent Claudia Bach, Gerry Gustus, committee chair Tina Girdwood and past committee chair Eric Nadworny.

Committee member and newsletter editor Gustus said that the committee contacted the Massachusetts Office of Campaign Finance Reform to find the rules regarding using public funds to campaign for the override. "So long as it is prior to a ballot question it is very open to what you are allowed to do and say," said Gustus.

The newsletter cost the School Committee a little less than \$1,000 this time, he said. "We think it's well worth it," said Gustus, who would like to see the newsletter come out three times per year on a more regular schedule. The committee gets the printing done at cost and members sort the newsletters by hand into the trays the Post Office uses for bulk-rate mailings, he says.

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By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Robert Lottatore and Patricia Lottatore to Option One Mortgage Corporation, dated December 23, 1999 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5647, Page 212 of which mortgage Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, FKA Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee, without recourse is the present holder by assignment, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 3 Pond View Place AKA 3 Pondview Place, Andover, Massachusetts will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00 A.M. on May 9, 2002, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, together with the buildings thereon, situated at and known as 3 Pond View Place, being Lot No. 2, being a portion of the land on a plan of land entitled, "Subdivision and Acceptance Plan Pond View Place", Subdivider: William H. & Carol Strout; Engineer Merrimack Engineering Services, Inc., Address: 66 Park St., Andover, Mass. 01810; Scale 1" = 40'; Date: November 12, 1982, being Plan No. 9091 and recorded with Essex North District Registry of Deeds on March 23, 1983; said Lot containing 30,050 square feet of land according to said plan, together with the right to use, pass and repass over the private ways as shown on said plan, and to use said roads for all purposes for which such roads are commonly used in the Town of Andover.

Said premises are conveyed subject to and together with the benefit of a Sewer Easement recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 2921, Page 83.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and condition of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

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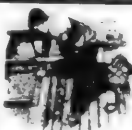
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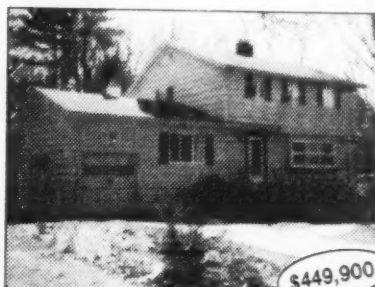
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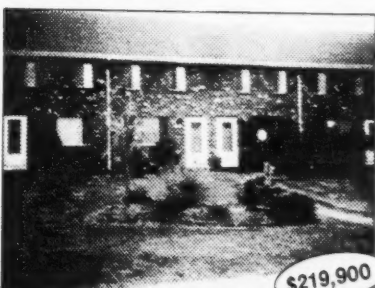
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**ANDOVER - Exquisite 11+ RM Colonial** sited on 2.7 acres. Features include fabulous media/great room, custom cabinetry, wet bar, new carpeting; new granite KIT, stainless appliances, ceramic floor. LR & DR w/hdws, sun-room, finished basement. Call Joan Johnson x153.



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**ANDOVER - Charming 7/3/1.5 Dutch Colonial** in wonderful neighborhood. Newer kitchen w/custom cabinets, breakfast bar, huge master bedroom with walk-in closet. A beautifully maintained home! Call Eleanor Turke x163.



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**NORTH ANDOVER - 4/2/1.5 Immaculate** townhouse. Two levels of spacious living, in addition to a partially-finished lower level. This lovely unit backs up to a nice yard for outside enjoyment, and there is plenty of storage. Move-in condition! Call Arlene Santangelo x161.



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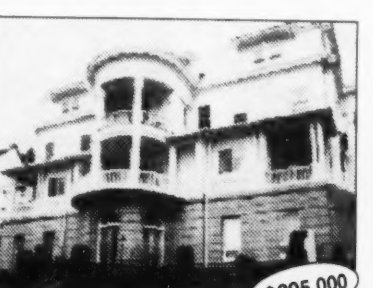
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**NORTH ANDOVER - 9/4/2.5 Colonial** in desirable location off Old Town Center. Immaculate, move-in condition. Freshly painted. Four season sunroom with vaulted ceilings and skylights. Temperature controlled wine cellar, central vac, and 2 fireplaces. Call Sheila Stupka x166.



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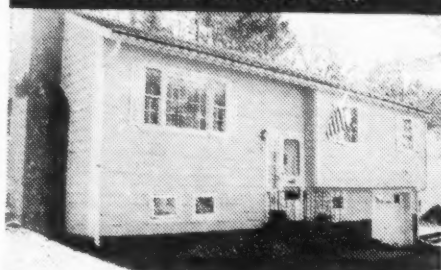
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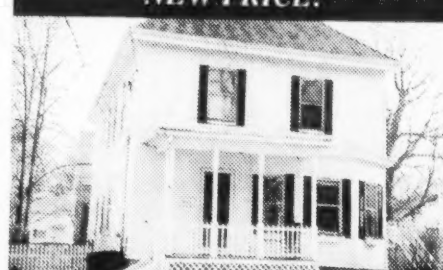
**NORTH ANDOVER - 547 Mass Ave.** Library area! Charming 6 room Bungalow ready to just move right in! Hardwood floors, fireplace living room, formal dining room with beautiful wood ceiling, 1.5 baths, 1st floor laundry, screened porch, vinyl siding. \$299,000

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**ANDOVER - 37 Linwood Avenue.** Shawheen Village! Seven room Split Entry home in desirable location features hardwood floors, gas fireplace in living room, 2 full baths, updated kitchen, large family room, 3+ bedrooms, all town services, one car garage. \$385,000

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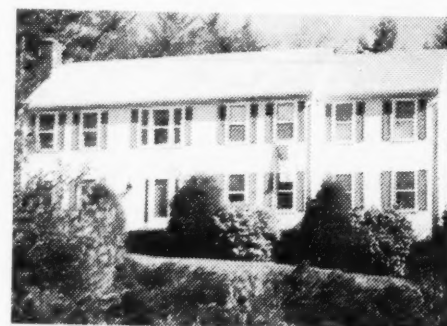
**OPEN SUNDAY 1-3!**

**ANDOVER - 46 Greenwood Road.** Pristine custom Hip Roof home featuring 3 generous sized bedrooms, 3 full baths, hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces, finished lower level ideal for in-law or au-pair, oversized 2 car garage, set well back from street on nearly an acre lot! \$440,000

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**NORTH ANDOVER -** Do you love antiques? This beautifully maintained 12 room Colonial circa 1790 is filled with warm country charm, wonderful period details and a sense of history. Details include mellow wide pine floors, high ceilings, 4 incredible fireplaces, exquisite period moldings and gun stock corners. A recent 2 room addition features a separate entrance and full bath making it an ideal in-home office or in-law apartment. Set on a private, scenic acre+ lot with 2 stall stable and 30x15 in-ground pool. \$499,900



**NORTH ANDOVER -** Location and curb appeal! This spacious 10 room Colonial sits majestically on a knoll in desirable neighborhood. Open foyer, hardwood floors, all large rooms, 3.5 baths, 2 fireplaces, in-law or au-pair in lower level, large level back yard for recreation, good access to highways. \$544,000



**ANDOVER -** Pristine updated 8 room home in super neighborhood walking distance to Sanborn School. New white kitchen, refinished hardwood floors, new wall to wall, and new windows are a few of the many updates that make this home fresh and ready to move right in! \$417,900



**ANDOVER -** Spacious well-maintained 4 bedroom Wynwood built home loaded with extras in desirable neighborhood, walking distance to elementary school and country club. Beautiful cherry cabinet kitchen, private landscaped yard, town utilities. \$537,500



**ANDOVER -** Location! Lovely young 10 room Colonial on cul-de-sac with good commuter access and near conservation land and new schools. Spacious rooms, family room plus study and finished lower level playroom, new deck and swimming pool, 6 person spa, acre lot, security system. \$679,900



**NORTH ANDOVER -** Pure perfection! Near new custom Colonial in Abbot Village. Open floor plan with exquisite details, bridal staircase, open foyer, gourmet granite and stainless kitchen. Private location near Olde Center with level private lot. \$839,900



**ANDOVER -** Classic 9+ room brick Shawheen Village Colonial - gracious foyer with turned staircase, exquisite formal rooms, gleaming hardwood, up-dated granite kitchen, 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 season sunroom, beautiful intimate lot near country club. \$879,900



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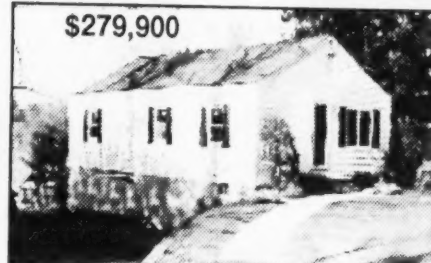
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 HW flrs - Partially fin LL w/FamRm  
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**\$369,900**


**NORTH ANDOVER!**  
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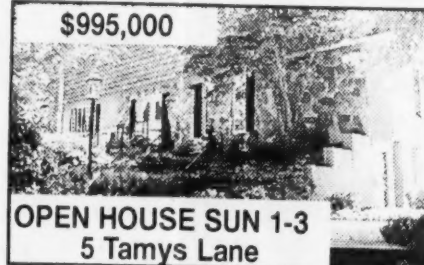
**NORTH ANDOVER, 1ST AD!**  
 Location! Location! Location!  
 10/4/2.5 - 3450 sf - Brick front Col  
 HW flrs - White panel kit w/Corian  
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**ANDOVER, Andover Country Club!**  
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 10/4/2.5 - 2 car garage - 4300 sf - HW flrs  
 Gorgeous white birch kitchen - Granite counters  
 1st flr study - 2nd flr laundry - Walkout lower level  
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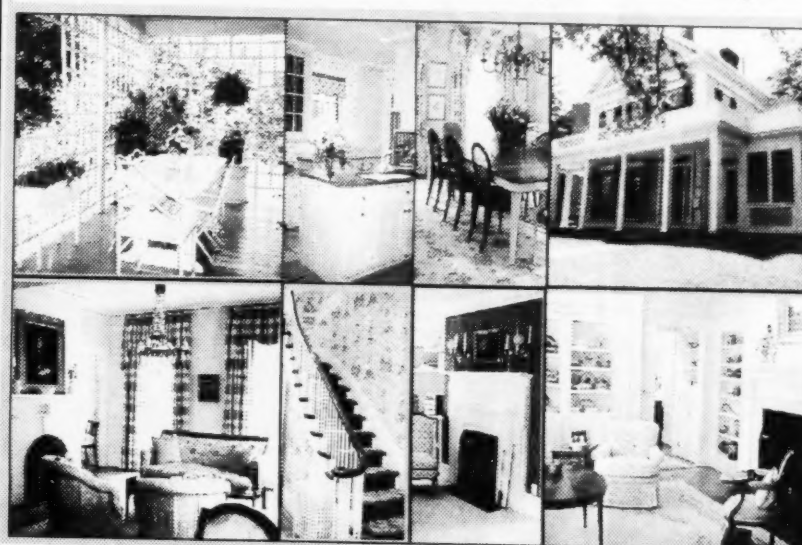
**ANDOVER, Spectacular!**  
 Landscaped private acre+ abuts state forest  
 Open floor plan perfect for entertaining  
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